

Pedal power!



■ ORGANISER of the Great Dorset Bike Ride James Robinson is pictured with Dorchester town crier Alistair Chisholm on Sunday morning at Top O' Town car park where more than 300 cyclists took part in a 44-mile ride on aid of the MS Society.

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Photo by Tom Glover

Dorchester loses mental health unit

Service shuts down before replacement centre is ready

By Paul Crompton

FAILURE to meet government standards at a key mental health unit in Dorchester means patients face a year of disruption as a replacement premises is completed.

It is the second mental health facility threatened in the town following fears the independent Dorchester Opportunity Group pre school could close in October due to a lack of funding.

The Mental Health Acute Care Unit at 20 Cornwall Road, Dorchester closed last month in advance of the opening of the town's Mental Health Centre in Castle Road, which is not due to be completed until early 2011.

A NHS spokesman said it was closed as it was no longer a safe environment to provide acute care mental health services and

did not provide the necessary safeguards for meeting privacy and dignity standards.

They added there will be no reduction in service and no job losses will be made – although staff are being forced to relocate into “local vacancies and the enhanced home treatment services for the locality”.

The five permanent patients at the centre had completed treatment prior to closure.

Dorset County Councillor Richard Biggs said: “It was due to close anyway and move to Castle Road, however that's been delayed and the idea was to move seamlessly from one to the other.

“But they decided to close it early but the building project is not

ready at Castle Road, so I would have thought they would have kept the unit open for whatever reason.

“My viewpoint is if it was a children's home being closed there would be a public outcry but because its adult mental health there is not the same level of interest.

“Of course one-in-four people have that condition in their life, whether it's anxiety or depression, it's more common than we think. The national average shows people need mental health services.

“It's a very valuable service and the fact is not a lot of it is seen by the public; a lot of people rely on it and the kind of people who need the service suffer from stress if they have to go elsewhere.”

Councillor Biggs said he

had e-mailed members of the Joint Commissioning Board, which is comprised of NHS and DCC, to look in to the situation but had not received a reply to date.

A NHS spokesman said: “A consultation process had taken place with the

staff and service users and the Dorset Mental Health Forum. All staff were given one months notice of this move in line with contractual obligations.

“Other local mental health services will take up the capacity of 20 Cornwall Road.”

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TANYA Bruce-Lockhart is an impresario of local festivals playing a major part in both the Beaminster Festival and the Bridport Literary Festival. Having moved to Dorset from the capital 12-years-ago Tanya didn't want to grow old gracefully and became influential in the local cultural scene.

Having spent a career in TV, working mainly on live shows and arts documentaries, Tanya was the perfect person to handle the pressure of organising a yearly, event packed festival.

In her time in television Tanya worked on "The Russell Harty Show" and "the South bank Show" with Melvyn Bragg, making vital contacts when it comes to bringing the biggest names to West Dorset.

■ WHAT are you looking forward to at this year's Beaminster festival?

I have the band of the Coldstream Guards coming down here and they are terrific. They were top of the classic FM charts for weeks with their album Heroes, which wasn't just band music it was popular music as well so I'm really looking forward to having them here. Also the Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain who are terrific. They are wonderful musicians but they are also very funny. They did a prom last summer in the Royal Albert Hall. Also we have our family Ceilidh which is very important, people always associate Beaminster with the golden oldies but there is a huge youthful community here as well.

■ WHO does the festival appeal to?

I hope it appeals across the board. There are things like the celebrated conductor Sir Neville Marriner who is one of our patrons, he will appeal to the music connoisseurs. Then you have things like the Ceilidh, which is very much a family event and then we have music workshops for the primary schoolchildren. We also have the Armonico Consort coming down who are going into Beaminster Secondary School to do a musical in a day.

■ WHAT will be new this year at the Bridport Literary festival?

Last year we had Alexander McCall Smith who was an amazing sell out and I have never seen so many people pouring into Bridport. This year I am trying to get Barry Humphries because he is bringing out a biography of Edna Everage and so he will hopefully talk as Barry about Edna as a sort of psychological profile. Hopefully Barry Humphries will be the star this year. It's



still in the planning phase but we have got lots of different ingredients.

■ WHAT have been your highlights in your time on the festivals?

Every year there is a different quality, you think that was a good year and I'm not going to be able to do the same next time round. Sometimes it's the most surprising things which turn out to be very popular. Last year there was a young man called Horatio Clare who did a travel

memoir about following the swallows from southern Africa back to northern Wales and he followed them by foot, by train and by air and managed to get home as they arrived. It was the most enchanting talk because it was a memoir, very much about him but also about this migratory journey. In terms of the musical things I always like the opening ceremony in the square because it brings everybody together. That's what festivals should be about, you want to bring everybody together.

■ WHO would be your three dream guests at a dinner party?

I'd have Jonathon Miller because he is a polymath and he can talk about almost anything and I feel an evening with him would be like doing a crash course at university. I could ask him anything and I'm sure he would answer me in a very accessible way. I'd also have Robert De Niro who I did a film with once as a filmmaker and ever since I've rarely fancied him. The other person who is a great enthusiast is David Attenborough.

■ WHO are the most interesting celebrities you've worked with?

David Niven, who was delightful and charming and everything you'd expect him to be. David Bowie who is probably the most intelligent man of popular music I've had to interview and spend time with.

■ WHAT was the last book you read, film you watched and CD you listened to?

The last book I read was "Three Cups of Tea" Greg Mortenson, the last CD I listened to was Nick Drake and the last film I watched was "The Ghost". I think Pierce Brosnan was a little miscast as the Tony Blair character but it's a good film and an arresting film but the book is much better, a real page turner.

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Art lecture

SHIPTON Riding Club will be hosting an evening's lecture with internationally renowned artist Gillian Higgins at Kingston Maurwood Agricultural College, Dorchester.

Gillian's famous artwork is unique as she uses a living equine canvas that shows how the bones and muscles work together to produce movement.

She examines equine anatomy, biomechanics and physiology by painting the skeleton and musculature on the side of horses, bringing the subject to life and make it accessible to people of all ages. Seeing the musculature and skeleton painted on the horse enables riders to see how the horse moves from an anatomical perspective.

Gillian works closely with international competitors from all disciplines and treats Olympic horses and their riders. She also combines her skills with those of other well known equine professionals such as Sylvia Loch.

The reaction to her lectures has been overwhelming and she has featured on TV series Pet Nation and has written articles for magazines such as "Horse and Hound".

Gillian Higgins will be at Kingston Maurward on June 30th at 7pm.

Tickets are £16 for non riding club or Kingston Maurwood students.

Carers' Week

WELDMAR Hospicecare Trust is supporting this year's Carers Week (June 14th – 20th) by organising Dorset cream teas and therapy "taster" sessions.

The events are taking place at Westminster Memorial Hospital on June 16th from 1pm to 3pm, at Trimar Day Hospice on June 17th from 2pm to 4pm, and at Joseph Weld Hospice on June 18th also from 2pm to 4pm. All relatives and carers of patients are invited to attend.

The trust also want to thank all its volunteers in Volunteers' Week (June 1st – 7th June), not just during this week but every week of the year. Weldmar's 600 volunteers assist with patient care, work in the trust's 13 shops and help with fundraising events.

Worship and music

AN acclaimed composer and conductor will give a performance at the Dorford Centre, Dorchester as part of a special music and worship event.

Saturday, November 13th marks Diocesan Music in Worship Day which will see a number of events celebrating worship and music.

The day will start with an opening worship and will be followed by a keynote address from composer and conductor David Ogden, who is Director of Music at Westbury-on-Trym parish church in Bristol and is also a Special Advisor for the Royal School of Church Music.

Following this there will an opportunity to attend a workshop in the morning and afternoon.

Booking forms and further details of workshops can be obtained from Jill Minchin (01305 263757).

Pre-school reprise following last minute £20,000 donation

By Paul Crompton

A SCHOOL in Dorchester caring for young children with special needs has been given a 16-week reprise from closure after £20,000 was raised at the last minute.

Now able to stay open until October Dorchester Opportunity Group has called a meeting with parents, community members and health professionals to find a long-term strategy for avoiding closure.

The pre-school was facing the axe in July after 17-years service caring for children from afar as Lyme Regis and Beaminstor when it failed to secure lottery funding.

The pre-school costs £10,000 a month to run and cares for children

aged two-five-years-old who are initially unable to attend mainstream schools due to their illnesses.

Play Manager Diane Storey said: "I suppose the money gives us breathing space but not a long one. It's really difficult because we've always had money to keep going and going and not had to stop and think in this way.

"There's quite a lot of staff in the group and it's not easy when you don't know what the future is.

"This will be the equivalent of six weeks opening time if you take in to consideration the summer holidays,

and the money gives us extra time to find more, but really not very long."

The charity organisation, which only takes referrals from health professionals, has up to 20 children at any one time with severe mental issues attend.

These issues can include A.S.D, Autism, Angelman's syndrome and speech problems, with many children arriving at the pre-school without a medical diagnosis.

The group is holding an open evening tonight to come up with ideas on how the facility can be saved from 5.30pm to 6.30pm at the Prince of Wales Pre School Centre, Maiden Castle Road, Dorchester.

Mammoth display for museum

A RARE tusk of a prehistoric woolly mammoth has gone on display at Dorchester's Dinosaur Museum.

The 30,000-year-old tusk that was discovered in a Dorset quarry joins other prehistoric mammal fossils

in a new display in the Mary Anning Gallery of the Museum.

The tusk was discovered a number of years ago but its exact location has not been revealed in order to protect the site.

Fossils of Woolly Mammoth are comparatively rare, but Dorset is one of the few places in Britain that has preserved remains of this majestic beast.

During the late 19th century bones of a pre ice-age mammoth were uncovered in a prehistoric deposit at Dewlish and more recently a mammoth tooth was found near the pier at Boscombe.

Mammoths are currently "hot news" as there is a real possibility that the fictional creation of dinosaurs in the film Jurassic Park may, in the not to distant future, become a reality with the Woolly Mammoth.

Tim Batty, Curator of the Dinosaur Museum in Dorchester said: "Only this month a Canadian-led team of researchers has produced a functioning blood protein using DNA recovered from preserved woolly mammoth bones. The protein itself isn't alive, but it works just as if it had been taken from a live animal.

"They have brought back an important physiological trait from an extinct species. The researchers at University of Manitoba, calls the mammoth haemoglobin "a living, breathing molecule."

Ever since the discovery of well-preserved frozen mammoth remains in Siberia, scientists have been trying to clone a mammoth. They hope to one day introduced the DNA of a prehistoric mammoth into an egg of a modern elephant.

The Woolly Mammoth tusk is now on show at the Dinosaur Museum in Icen Way, Dorchester.



■ TIM Batty from the Dinosaur Museum, Dorchester wit the Mammoth tusk which is now on display

Lead thieves strike again

LEAD thieves have targeted another premises in Dorchester and follows similar thefts in the area in the last couple of months including a church and a residential home.

Poundbury Gardens, Bridport Road had four ridges of lead, two square metres in size, were taken from a shed at the garden centre over night of Saturday and Sunday.

Inspector les Fry said: "We want people to be aware that they may have lead on their roof or on buildings in the area and there are thieves targeting buildings in and around Dorchester.

"We want anyone who sees a suspicious car or people working to call us with information and don't be afraid to dial 999 if they think a crime is in the

process of being committed."

Any information should contact PC Jim Cocker at Dorchester Police Station on 01305 222222.

Leaf blower stolen

DORCHESTER Town Council was the victim of a daring theft, which saw them lose a leaf blower from the back of a pick-up vehicle.

The £250 Honda HBB 25 blower was stolen from the parked vehicle while groundsmen worked at the children's play area on Melstock Avenue between 1.45pm and 2.30 pm.

A council spokesman said: "We will now have to replace it provided it is not recovered, it's possible someone walked past it, took and dropped it somewhere else."

Marine outboard stolen

A MARINE outboard engine was stolen from the back of Christchurch Court Grove on Sunday, June 6th.

The engine had a cream cover and red stripe and was taken from an outside shed.

Toolbox thieves

TWO toolboxes were stolen from off a trailer in Morn Gate Caravan Park, Bridport Road, Dorchester.

The theft occurred between Thursday and Saturday of last week.

Business targeted in raid

POLICE suspect thieves targeted Magna Motor Company in a pre-planned raid on the Dorchester business. The interior rear cab was lifted of a Nissan Nivaro 4X4 vehicle over night of Thursday, June 3rd and Friday, June 4th.

Inspector Les Fry said: "It looks like someone may have had a crash and come to steal another one."

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Yellow Health Book launched in Dorset

A NEW book which will enable local people with learning disabilities to better look after their own health has been launched in Dorset.

Produced in an easy to read format, The Yellow Health Book was originally developed jointly by Bournemouth People First and NHS Bournemouth and Poole.

Dorset People First and NHS Dorset have been consulting with local people on this edition which allows people with learning disabilities to keep an accurate record of their health in an easy to understand format, at the same time providing comprehensive information for their carer or other health professional.

Topics covered include an individual's eating habits, best methods of communication, family history and immunisation records.

Over the coming months, representatives of NHS Dorset will be touring the county to raise awareness of the book amongst local people.

Anyone who feels it is

relevant to themselves or someone they know is invited to come along to their local venue where copies will be available, and the team behind the publication will be on hand to answer any questions.

To complement The Yellow Health Book, NHS Dorset has produced an easy read guide to self care adapted from *Self Care: Some Helpful Thoughts* by Dr Stephen Tomkins.

The guide gives practical advice and ideas on how to stay healthy by setting goals and action plans to make changes to live a healthier lifestyle.

The guide also contains useful contact numbers for local health organisations.

NHS Dorset will be visiting the following venues to promote The Yellow Health Book:

- Thursday, June 17th: Sturminster Newton Medical Centre, Sturminster Newton;
- Thursday, June 24th: Royal Crescent Surgery, Weymouth;
- Friday, June 25th: Bridport Medical Centre,

Bridport.

NHS Dorset is the local leader and first point of contact for NHS services in Dorset.

It has a provider arm and a commissioning arm. The provider arm - Dorset Community Health Services - is responsible for community nursing, community hospitals and mental health services. The commis-

sioning arm commissions services from healthcare providers.

Dorset People First is a charity led by people who have learning difficulties. Members are encouraged to get involved in projects and events and speak up about things that are important to them. For more information visit www.dorset-peoplefirst.co.uk



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Help to brighten up someone's journey

A GROUP gathered on the platform at Dorchester West train station to launch the search for volunteers to make improvements to and care for the county town's second station.

Creating a fresh, clean environment, including litter picking, painting, planting, and putting up posters, will all be part of the initiative.

Terry Putnam and Pete Meech, who work at Upwey Station and help keep Dorchester West clean, were present at the initial meeting.

They were joined by Pete Webb from First Great Western, responsible for maintenance and cleaning, Pete Jobson, station manager for Wiltshire and Dorset, and Sue Blake from the Heart of Wessex Community Partnership. Sue was also representing the Dorchester Area Part-



■ THE launch of Friends of Dorchester West Station, with (l to r) Wally Gundry, Les Phillips, Pete Meech, Terry Putnam, Pete Jobson, Barry Tempest, Pete Webb and Sue Blake

By Anita Harries

nership, along with its chairman Wally Gundry.

Completing the group were the Mayor of Dorchester, Councillor Les Phillips and a prospective volunteer Barry Tempest.

Pete Jobson took the opportunity to explain the safety aspects of becoming a station volunteer, the conditions for working on

a station platform, and the rules laid down for the protection of the volunteers.

This could be a very rewarding undertaking, the chance to bring this unmanned station to life, create areas of colour and maybe opportunities for companies to advertise tastefully on any planters

or other items they may wish to donate.

There is also a small sum of money available to purchase tools such as a strimmer and litter pickers to make life a little easier.

If anyone is interested in becoming a Friend of Dorchester West Station, they should contact Pauline Trimming of the Dorchester Area Partnership c/o Dorchester Town Council.

Reaping the rewards of volunteering

ONCE seen as the domain of the elderly a Dorchester teenager has turned the stereotype on its head by advocating the benefits of volunteering in charity shops.

As one of the youngest people to volunteer at Weldmar Hospicecare Trust student Kirsty Matthews, 16, spoke of the rewarding nature of the job during Volunteers' Week.

Thomas Hardeye student Kirsty was so pleased to be learning new skills and gaining confidence during her 150 hours work as a Saturday volunteer she hopes to return when her

International Baccalaureate course finishes.

Kirsty said: "We had to do a compulsory 150 hours work for the course and I suppose I could have done it in another area but the charity was really nice, it had a community feel and was a lovely place to work and to go each week."

"I really enjoyed my time and thought it helped because going into new situations helps build self-confidence and gives you new skills and you are able to work as a team."

"I really enjoyed it and if I had more time would go back. I would definitely

recommend it and it obviously helps with your C.V and looks good for university applications."

National Volunteers' Week runs between June 1st and 7th every year to celebrate the contribution of the 20 million plus volunteers across the UK, while encouraging others to get involved.

Volunteer Services Manager Caroline Munslow, said: "We would like to thank all the shop volunteers for their commitment and time. Without the continued support and dedication of the volunteers the Trust would not be able to



■ STUDENT Kirsty Matthews helps at Weldmar Hospice care Trust charity shop during Volunteers Week

maintain the high standards of care that are given to patients and families."



Great turn out for bike ride

■ CYCLISTS pedalled their way to £500 for the MS Society at the weekend with the Great Dorset Bike Ride.

The 44-mile ride took cyclists around some of Dorset's most beautiful, and steep, countryside taking in the sights of Corfe Castle, Moreton and Tincleton on the way.

Town crier Alistair Chisholm inspired the cyclists on the start line at the top o' town car park and the Dorchester Casterbridge Rotary Club, who provided marshalls on the day, ran

out of cakes on their halfway point refreshment stall.

Out of 300 taking part, the first home completed the journey in just two hours with the stragglers rolling in six hours later.

Organiser James Robinson said: "It went very well with no major problems or incidents."

"We had a few broken chains and punctures but that was all and the turnout of 300 was a lot better than in recent years."

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D-Day veteran honours fallen comrades

By Stuart Broom

A MAN who took part in the D-Day landings was among those who gathered at the Keep Military Museum for the annual D-Day Anniversary Memorial Service in Dorchester on Saturday.

William Chutter, aged 96-years-old, paid his respects to his colleagues in a service attended by members of the Dorchester Branch of the Royal British Legion and members of Dorchester Town Council, led by the mayor and mayoress Councillor

Leslie Phillips and his wife Vonty.

Mr Chutter from Dorchester was a member of the 1st Battalion Dorset Regiment that landed on Gold Beach on June 6th 1944 as part of the Allied invasion of Normandy.

Also paying his respects was Roy Slade from Bradford Peverell who, as a 17-year-old, had only been in the Royal Navy for three months when he assisted in the landings at Normandy as part of the 5th Cruiser Squadron.

The service was led by Canon Harold Stephens, Team Rector of St Mary's Church.

President of Dorchester RBL Les Cuff read the Exhortation whilst George Osborne, Royal Naval Association Chairman, read the Kohima. Norman Mollinson played the Last Post and Reveille.

A wreath was laid at the memorial stone by Mr Cuff on behalf of the RBL for chairman Ray Voss.



■ WILLIAM Chutter chats with Dorchester Mayor Cllr Leslie Phillips



■ CANON Harold Stephens leads the service flanked by members of the Dorchester RBL



■ NORMAN Mollinson plays the Last Post



■ ROY Slade pays his respects at the memorial stone

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The Distracted Preacher comes to a town near you

THE talented and energetic group of Dorset-based thespians, the New Hardy Players, are set to unleash their latest production on the inhabitants of Dorchester.

"The Distracted Preacher", one of Thomas Hardy's short stories, is a

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tale of romance and smuggling, and will prove to even the most hardened sceptics that Hardy really did have a fine sense of humour.

Using the version first adapted by Ray Sargent, director Tim Laycock has

added a musical twist to this romantic comedy, which weaves its way through the story as the action unfolds.

Very much in evidence in "The Distracted Preacher" is the suggestion that smuggling was a commu-

nity enterprise which depended on village loyalty and solidarity.

Hardy displays a deep seated affection for rural customs in this good natured tale of smuggling, the coast of Dorset steeped in the traditions of bringing ashore contraband and dodging the excise men.

As with their previous productions, the New Hardy Players have put their heart and soul into this latest of their increasingly impressive repertoire.

The costumes, the props, the music, and the Players themselves all combine to create a wonderfully dramatic but light hearted look at smuggling and the effect it had on the everyday life of a village.

There are several locations in which you can see

"The Distracted Preacher" in all its glory.

Sunday, June 13th 6.30pm at the Millenium Green, Bridport (if wet, in the town hall at 7pm). Tickets £7 from Elizabeth Gale on (01308) 459039.

Sunday, June 20th 7pm at Corfe Castle (if wet, in the village hall). Tickets £7 from the National Trust Shop on (01929) 480921.

Sunday, June 27th 6.30pm at the Borough Gardens, Dorchester (if wet, in the United Church at 7pm) There is no charge for this performance, but a collection will be taken.

Friday, July 2nd 7pm on the green beside Lulworth Cove

(if wet, in the village hall). Tickets £7 from Janet Hall on (01929) 400102.



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Town honours poet's birthday

THE birthday of one of Dorchester's most famous sons was marked with a wreath-laying ceremony at the Top O' Town car park. Dorchester, held by the Thomas Hardy Society in conjunction with Dorchester Town Council.

Led by the Mayor of Dorchester, Councillor Leslie Phillips, and his wife Vonty, a procession of

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town councillors made their way to the area adjacent to the statue of Thomas Hardy to celebrate the famous author's birthday. Proceedings were opened by music from the town's Durnovaria Silver Band.

As has become custom-ary, the New Hardy Play-

ers performed an extract from their most recent production, *The Distracted Preacher*, followed by the wreath laying at the statue.

Wreaths were laid by the Mayor of Dorchester and Anthony Thwaite, President of the Philip Larkin Society.

Philip Larkin died 25-years-ago and it is widely accepted that he was an admirer of Thomas Hardy, so it seemed somehow fitting that the two great writers were honoured at the same time.

Anthony Thwaite read a piece of poetry by Philip Larkin, while the talents of Hardy were equally demonstrated by Dr Jane Thomas from Hull University who earlier in the afternoon had given a fascinating lecture on the

relationship between the two poets.

The final reading was given by the Mayor, Councillor Leslie Phillips, who recited a piece by Hardy.

The Mayor, town councillors and assembled guests then made their way to the statue of William Barnes in the churchyard of St Peter's Church, to honour Dorset's other great poet. This has now become another ceremony adhered to every year.



■ MAYOR of Dorchester, Councillor Leslie Phillips, and Anthony Thwaite President of the Philip Larkin Society, lay their wreaths at the statue of Thomas Hardy



■ LAYING a wreath at the statue of William Barnes



■ ANTHONY Thwaite reads from Philip Larkin



■ A READING from Thomas Hardy by the Mayor of Dorchester

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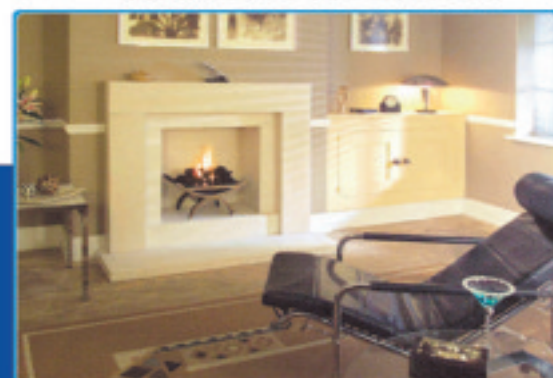
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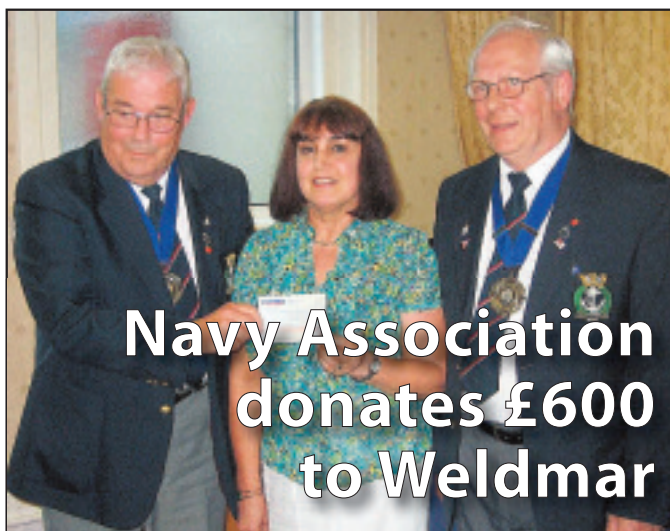


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Navy Association donates £600 to Weldmar

THE Royal Naval Association Portland Branch chose the Weldmar Hospicecare Trust, Dorchester, as their charity of the year for 2009/2010.

Having held a tombola at their monthly meetings throughout the year to raise funds, Sue Leighton was presented with a cheque for £600 at the South Portland Conservative Club.

Weldmar would like to express their sincere thanks for their donation which will be used to provide patient care.

From left Alex Oswald (Chairman) Sue Leighton (Weldmar) Dick Barton (President).

Author delights young audience

JEREMY Strong used to work in a factory putting jam into donuts.

He is now an award winning author of children's books whose titles includes "My Brother's Famous Bottom", "The Hundred Mile an Hour Dog", and more recently "Batpants".

The Corn Exchange in Dorchester was the venue for this madcap writer's visit to the county town, with children flocking to hear Jeremy talk about his writing.

He said: "I did try to write a really serious story once but it made me miserable and I started putting in jokes to cheer myself up."

"Of course in the end it turned into another funny story. I guess I see the funny side of most things. It's just the way I am."

The hushed hall listened as he read an excerpt from "Batpants", which was followed by a question and answer session.

Children were told how he has a shed at the bot-



AUTHOR Jeremy Strong meets a young fan

tom of his garden where he goes to write in peace and quiet. And in this shed is a fridge full of fruit and chocolate. They asked which of his characters he would most like to bring to life, and how long it takes to write a book.

When asked why he wanted to be a writer, Mr Strong said: "I can use my imagination and create

anything I want. I can make anything happen. And I have a strange, but very useful, imagination when it comes to writing stories."

At the end of the day Mr Strong signed books for his eager fans.

His latest offering, "We Want To Be On The Telly" was written to celebrate the 70th birthday of Puffin Books.

Summer fun at Kingston Maurwood

TUCK into "A taste of summer" at Kingston Maurward College on June 13th, when the doors will be thrown open for the college's annual family open day.

Visitors will be treated to culinary displays by top chefs, a mechanical horse to ride, have-a-go interactive college demonstrations, and a traditional country fair.

New this year also is the college's mechanical milking cow and extended opening time until 8pm with live bands and music for that summer festival feel.

Youngsters will have a children's play area to let off steam as well as get the chance to meet up close some of the college's many animal residents.

Other favourite attractions include crafts, dog shows, equine displays, flower show and tractor trailer rides.

Visitors can also explore the college's

stunning 750-acre grounds and find out more about the range of courses and learning experiences available at the campus.

"We have local chefs cooking local ingredients to whet everyone's appetite, whatever their tastes," said Clare Davison, college principal.

"And for the first time we are extending the day into the evening and have some fantastic music lined up."

"The open day is more than just showcasing what we have to offer. It's also about families coming in and having fun in our beautiful surroundings."

The day starts at 10am and parking is free. Entrance costs £5 for adults, or is free to those 16 and under and season ticket holders.

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Local talent dazzles in community opera

A COMMUNITY Opera night was held at St Mary's Church, Dorchester, as part of the Dorchester Festival 2010.

Along with its national and international stars, the

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Dorchester Festival was also a platform for local artists to perform.

Opera Night was one

such event, with talented musical director Brian Parkhurst transforming the "Cask of Amontillado", a

delicious black comedy by Edgar Allan Poe, into a community opera. Throughout the day, singers were invited to join the soloists and chorus director Hannah Trevor for some singing fun before joining the Opera in the evening.

A tale of deathly revenge and passionate love, The Cask of Amontillado was set in Venice amidst its wine cellars and carnivals. The costumes were as colourful as the characters. And the superb acoustics of St Mary's Church lent themselves beautifully to the superb voices of Robert and Ruth Eshelby.

As the self-made Venetian nobleman, Fortunato, Robert portrayed an operatic drunk to perfection! Robbie Bowering, a promising new baritone took the part of Luchese, while Amanda Gallagher, resplendent in bright red, was a formidable Antonia.

The part of the baddie, Montresor, went to the experienced John Greenbank.

Thomas Hardy School sixth former Rebecca Blacknell danced with true elegance, despite contending with a somewhat slippery floor, her obvious

love of dance shining through her performance. The chorus, despite less than one day rehearsing, sang their socks off, a real credit to both themselves and Hannah's hard work.

This was an evening of wonderful entertainment, witnessed among others by the Mayor of Dorchester, Councillor Les Phillips and wife Vonty.

Brian Parkhurst and his librettist David Bushrod came out of the occasion with flying colours.

With the backing of three very fine musicians, this community opera was first class.

DORCHESTER Festival 2010, in conjunction with Mercedes Benz of Dorchester, organised a prize draw for the Opera Night.

Lucky winner Mulu Thomson was handed her tickets by Mercedes Benz sales executive Roger Lee at their Dorchester showroom.

Dorchester Festival Marketing Officer Bruno Sanjo said: "We were very pleased to have Mercedes Benz of Dorchester sponsoring this event, bringing businesses and the community closer."



■ THE cast of The Cask of Amontillado



■ THE wonderful dancing of Rebecca Blacknell



■ LUCHESE (Robbie Bowering) and the evil Montresor (John Greenbank)



■ THE ghosts of Vittoria and Fortunato



■ ANTONIA (Amanda Gallagher) and Luchese (Robbie Bowering)



■ MULU Thomson receives her tickets from Roger Lee of Mercedes Benz

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Dot's helping hand for hospice

EVERY year kind-hearted Dot Hand holds a Garden Party in aid of the Weldmar Hospicecare Trust, at her house in South Court Avenue, Dorchester.

Every year the sun shines in her honour and this year was no exception, and many of her friends and neighbours turned up to lend their support.

Dot and her happy band of helpers produced a number of delicious homemade cakes to be eagerly devoured with a refreshing cup of tea.

As well as sitting in Dot's beautiful garden enjoying the sunshine, brains were exercised with a short quiz.

A raffle and plant sale all helped to swell the coffers as Dot personally



Dot and her helpers enjoy the sunshine

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welcomed and thanked every visitor to her garden party.

It was a lovely after-

noon, and once again Dot and her friends have raised lots of money to ensure the marvellous

work carried out in the Joseph Weld Hospice to alleviate the suffering of those in need of help, support and respite care can continue.

Actions speak louder than words at Magna

ACTIONS are louder than words for social housing organisation Magna, which has been given a top award for offering a fully accessible service to customers with hearing problems.

The Royal National In-

stitute for Deaf people (RNID) has just awarded the prestigious Louder than Words charter to Magna, which is based in Dorchester.

Donald Rushton, chairman of Magna Housing Group, said: "This is a

terrific achievement and shows we are fully committed to equality and diversity.

"Staff have worked hard to reach this standard and it is already beginning to make a difference to our residents and the people

who work for us."

Everyone at Magna has taken part in hearing awareness training, with a further 70 employees taking part in a BSL course. Six of them subsequently then went on to work towards gaining an accredited qualification in BSL over nine months.

And now, the knowledge and confidence they gained from that training has enabled three Magna employees to design their own basic BSL training course for colleagues.

To qualify for the Louder than Words charter, Magna had to meet or exceed 10 quality standards.

Like any award, the RNID charter will be monitored to make sure quality standards continue to be met. Magna has an action plan to improve and monitor its services to the deaf community.



MAGNA Housing Group chairman Donald Rushton, presents the RNID's Louder than Words charter mark to Ian Bullock (right) chairman of Magna Housing Association and Piers Feilden (left), chairman of Magna West Somerset Housing Association

Pensioners pick and mix at Age Concern

PICK and Mix activity days are the latest initiatives to be supported by Age Concern Dorchester, the Alzheimers Society and the Dorset Blind Association.

Held at Rowan Cottage on the first Thursday of each month, they aim to bring people together to enjoy a whole range of activities regardless of ability.

Volunteers will be on hand to assist when and where necessary, to ensure those taking part get as much as possible out of the day.

There is something on offer for everyone, and if there is an activity you would rather not take part in, you can just sit and watch.

And should you have a carer they are also most welcome to go along and join in.

New Age Bowling with Age Concern's very own Fit as a Fiddler, John Yonwin, was one game enjoyed by those who took part in the very first Pick and Mix Day. Literature and poetry stimulated the memory, while artistic juices were encouraged to flow in a sketching, crayons and charcoal session.

The afternoon saw music and singing, internet fun with one to one

support, and competitive competition on the games boards of chess, scrabble and draughts.

People who are interested in taking part have two options to choose from. The morning session, complete with tea, coffee, biscuits and lunch, costs £8, while the full day is £12 and includes afternoon cake.

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Police continue crackdown

DORSET Police have stopped almost 7,000 drivers as they continue to show 'no excuse' for traffic offences on the county's roads.

Excuses range from speeding drivers being confused by the county's road signs to female drivers not wearing seatbelts because they had just applied spray tan.

In the first four months of the campaign failure to wear seatbelts accounted for 17 per cent of offences and 14 per cent of drivers were caught using a mobile phone whilst driving.

Other offences detected included no insurance, no driving licence and anti-social driving leading to vehicles being seized. Provisional licence holders were also caught

driving unaccompanied or not displaying 'L' plates. The enforcement teams also detected drivers with their vision obscured and some high speeders travelling at over 100 mph in a 70 mph zone.

The 'no excuse' campaign significantly raised its profile in and around Dorchester on May 19th when the Dorset Road Safe partnership launched a surprise "Surround a Town" operation.

On the day, the 'no excuse' enforcement teams, with traffic police and the Dorset Safety Camera Partnership deployed on all the approach roads to the town, were joined by around 120 mixed partner staff from Dorset Police, Dorset Safety Camera Part-

nership, Dorset County Council, Bournemouth Borough Council, Poole Borough Council, Highways Agency, Dorset Fire and Rescue Service and Streetwise.

Public information stands were displayed at six locations throughout the town and police also engaged with 800 potential young drivers at Thomas Hardye School.

A total of 287 driving offences were processed during "Surround a Town" in Dorchester. They included 61 seatbelt offences - 38 of these people caught attended a free seatbelt course held on the day and avoided the £60 fine.

Other offences processed included using a mobile phone when in control of a vehicle, driving with no insurance, no MOT and even an over-laden HGV.

Chief Inspector Bob Nichols of Dorset Police Specialist Operations said: "The 'no excuse' initiative is supported by all the agencies in Dorset who are involved in the tragic aftermath of avoidable collisions.

"By increasing the likelihood of detection for those drivers who continue to put other road users at risk, I am confident that the standards of driving and concentration will improve and make using Dorset's roads safer.

"Many of the motorists who are caught are eligible for driver awareness courses which allow them to avoid incurring penalty points and offer the chance to improve their driving skills.

"We see this association of enforcement and education as the key to reducing collisions."

The 'no excuse' team's presence will be felt across all areas of the county for the rest of the year.

artist John Constable was on his honeymoon he had the idea for a painting that showed Furzy Cliffs at Bowleaze.

A large version called Osmington Shore was exhibited by him at the British Institution in 1819.

Weymouth council provided a fact for June 29th which highlights that Weymouth's Town Bridge celebrates its 80th birthday on July 4th this year.

includes one for today (Jun 9th) from Martin Legg, of Portland, who revealed that Dr Marie Stopes, the famous birth control pioneer, owned and lived at the Higher Lighthouse at Portland Bill. She also bought a cottage in Wakeham in perpetuity as a museum for the people of Portland.

A fact for June 20th comes from Dorothy Brown on Portland who detailed that while British landscape

More facts revealed in Olympic countdown

MORE fascinating facts about Dorset have emerged for June under a project producing 1,000 facts in the 1,000-day run-up to the Olympic Games.

This ongoing initiative encourages people to keep submitting facts via the Team Dorset and Dorset For You websites while paper forms can be picked up from Weymouth and Portland council.

Examples of facts for June

View from Westminster

with MP OLIVER LETWIN



A FRESH NEW FEEL TO PARLIAMENT

THE landscape in Westminster has, of course, substantially altered since the last time I wrote this column before the general election.

Inevitably, much has been written about the formation of the new coalition government and about its activities over the past three weeks.

I am filled with optimism about the chances of the new government meeting the very substantial challenges that now face us.

But I recognise that I am not going to be regarded by any of my readers as a dispassionate commentator on this subject.

There is, however, a less politically charged phenomenon in Westminster that is at least as striking as the formation of the new government. Parliament itself has changed out of recognition.

There are literally hundreds of new MPs visible in the Chamber and wandering up and down the corridors and lobbies.

I don't know what the statistics show - but I would wager a considerable sum that the average age of MPs has fallen markedly.

Certainly, one has the sense of being surrounded by people 10 or 15 years younger than was the case just

a few weeks back. It is also very evident that the number of women has increased - and that there is now a much stronger representation of women around the House as a whole.

Whether because of the change in personnel or because of the reduction in the average age or because of the change in the balance of the sexes, there is also a new "feel" to the place.

It is also very noticeable that many of the new Members are people with really distinguished careers and remarkable lives.

There are famous travellers, noted environmentalists, best selling novelists, high-flying financiers, distinguished jurists, people who have founded charities, self-made businessmen and women, and - in short - a remarkable range of talent and experience.

Although I am an optimist by nature, I have to admit that, in the dying days of the previous Parliament, I really wondered whether the House of Commons would ever be able to recapture its vitality.

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■ PAINTING brooches at the Roman Town House



■ THE Sanctuary take to the stage

DORCHESTER Festival 2010 ended on a high with fine weather and another programme of excellent entertainment.

The Ancient Wessex Network held creative sessions at the Roman Town House entitled "What the Romans Did."

Members displayed both their skills and their wares, with imaginary portraits of Durnovaria's Romano-British inhabitants painted by local artist Virginia Evans, and Beaker Folk Pottery produced by Bill Crumbleholme. This cooking and tableware is inspired by ancient pottery and is all suitable for cooking and serving food.

There was also a wonderful selection of jewellery based on authentic Roman designs.

Children had fun painting Roman brooches and creating their own mosaics. The more ambitious had a go at filling in the gaps on the actual floor mosaics of the Town House.

Sarah Harbige had designed a Treasure Hunt in which families could follow a trail, find the clues and win Roman treasure!

And people were encouraged to go along and join

By Anita Harries

in the world record breaking biggest picnic ever organised by National Family Week.

Music was provided by the y'Stel's Band, and teddy bears dressed Roman style.

The Borough Gardens was again packed for another superb afternoon of music and dance.

The cheerleaders and

street dancers of Distinction joined a first class Moving On Youth line-up on the main stage, which included excellent performances by groups such as The Sanctuary, Pop Club and Three Hours In. A journey through the infectious music of Zimbabwe came from Bulawayo, ably assisted by workshop participants

in a Sing, Bang, Bop performance.

Elsewhere in the gardens, the Hoodwink Theatre Company invited visitors into their Pleasure Garden. This was fifteen minutes of bees, blossom, extravagant characters and elegant comedy set in a formal garden, and included everything from Adam's first bite of the apple to steam trains and spectacular peacocks.

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■ LOCAL artist Virginia Evans creating mosaics



■ HAVING a go at tricky mosaics



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View Gardens & Landscapes

Jottings from the Potting Shed

Relax! It's June. World Cup, Wimbledon, strawberries & cream, the longest day, warm barmy evenings, well let's hopes so. June is the month when relaxing should be high on the agenda. The rewards of your labour should by now be coming good. There's plenty of colour in the garden from red-hot pokers to roses, begonias to busy lizzies. Some of the early vegetables are fast becoming ready to harvest like first early potatoes and many salad crops. Keep up with the watering, feeding and weeding and do make sure you find time to just sit and enjoy your garden.

BEDS & BORDERS

Herbaceous plants will need to be supported as the new growth develops. Take a look at tree ties and loosen them if they appear tight and might restrict growth. Colour will start to develop soon with the recently planted bedding coming into flower. Put hanging baskets and tube in place if you have not already done so and scatter a few slug pellets on the surface of the soil, slugs and snails will congregate in the shade of the leaves. What have you done about feed for your baskets and tubs? If you didn't make any arrangements when planting them up, push 3 or 4 'Osmocote Tablets' into the compost, these will feed them slowly for the whole summer. Don't forget that you can grow vegetables in the ornamental garden; carrots, spring onions, colourful lettuce and courgettes will all add additional interest and additional fresh produce to any bed or border. Keep an eye open for pests and diseases and spray at the first sign of attack. If you can't identify a particular problem then please feel free to bring some into the shop so we can help you put it right. Don't let weeds get a foot hold in the borders, cover bare areas of soil with chipped bark on top of a weed control fabrics, this will not only help prevent weeds from growing but also retain essential moisture in the soil.

TOPICAL TIP

Discovered ants in the house? Use Nippon Ant Control System. Covered containers of ant killer means that it can be used safely in the home. Read the instructions carefully before use.

TOPICAL TIP

At this time of year deep-rooted weeds are at their most prolific. Dandelions, docks and brambles are growing strong and quick, 'Deep Root' will take care of them. Use it carefully because it is a very thorough weed killer and will even deal with tree stumps. Follow the instructions for use.

THE GREENHOUSE

Watering, feeding and pest control will be the main jobs this month. Water should be given freely as required during warm spells but the amount should be reduced if the weather becomes overcast. Most plants will need feeding every 7 to 10 days. 'Levington

Tomorite', a high potash feed, will encourage larger, brighter flowers and higher yields and improved flavour with fruiting plants. Keep the greenhouse well ventilated to keep the temperature and humidity down. You may need to shade the greenhouse with either a flexible material shading or a paint on type. A guide to whether the greenhouse is getting too hot is if the leaves of your tomatoes are curling inward then you need to put up shading. Whitefly, greenfly and blackfly along with many other flying pests can be controlled effectively by using 'Greenhouse Fly Catcher'. They are yellow panels, sticky both sides, which you simply hang up in the greenhouse, pests are attracted to them where they get stuck fast. The panels will last pretty much all summer, as one square inch will catch hundreds of pests. Red spider mite can often be a problem in the greenhouse during the summer months. Tell tale signs of attack include a mottling of the leaves and you'll see a very fine webbing on the reverse of the leaf. Red spider mites hate moist, humid condition so a good hose down of the ground on a regular basis will go a long way to reducing the problem.

TOPICAL TIP

We must get asked ten times a day the question, 'What's the best way to keep cats off my garden?' Well, before you ask the answer is Growing Success 'Cat Repellent'. This has been available for a number of years now and really is the best and yes, it really does work. The days of cats soiling areas with have been prepared for sowing will be a thing of the past.

ON THE PLOT

There is a lot to do in this area of the garden with both sowing and cropping in full swing. Seeds to be sown in June include carrots, beans, peas, radish and lettuce. Vegetables sown earlier in the season like Brussels sprouts cauliflower and celery can be planted out now. Slugs and snails are the main enemy and will devastate crops at a rate of knots. Thinly scatter slug pellets to keep them in check. Another unwanted pest at this time of year are birds, particularly around soft fruit like strawberries, cover with an anti-bird netting so you will get more of the crop. Fruit thinning tends to occur naturally with some varieties such as apples; however, you may have to thin by hand heavy crops like peaches, plums and gages. Do this in two stages, once in early June and again later in the month. The final fruit spacing should be about 8cm (3in) apart.

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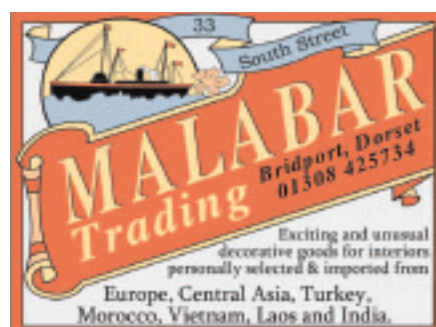
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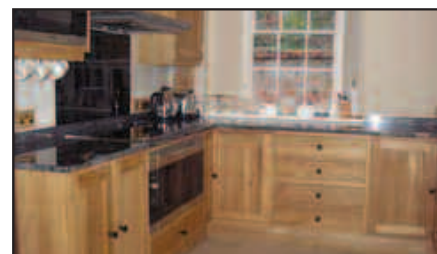
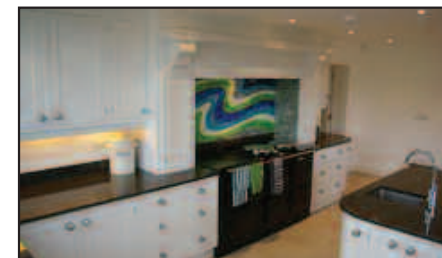
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Flying to the rescue at a moment's notice

THE Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance crew are resting on brown leather sofas, the kettle is starting to boil and the television is switched to a channel no one is really watching.

Apart from their overalls and the model helicopters adorning the shelves the room looks like any other new-build studio flat – then the phone rings, and quickly the ordinary becomes the extraordinary.

A homemade wall chart utilising a plastic toy helicopter and string is checked to see how far in time and nautical air miles the “job” is. The second paramedic gathers together a collection of cutting-edge emergency medical equipment; the pilot has already started the engines; the first paramedic, who took the call, is plotting the route to the accident.

Aircrew Paramedic Jon Penny said: “When we get a shout to a job we

get the basic details, type of incident and where it is by a six figure grid reference.

“The pilot and the first paramedic get to the helicopter. Then the second paramedic walks out to it, then we get a quick brief and the pilot goes through the pre-flight checks. This all takes about a minute.

“The first paramedic becomes the flight navigator. At anyone time there is about five or six things going on as well as discussions on what’s happened, what hospital to go to and the treatment needed.

“We’re not always the first on scene. It’s not often we are there first so we talk directly to the land crews to make sure the landing is clear and they give us up-to-date reports on the patient which determines if the air ambulance lands.

“We try to get as many up-dates as we can, the more critical the incident the more we get. If it’s on the coast or where there

IN the final part of a week feature on the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance, which is celebrating its 10th anniversary, View reporter Paul Crompton talks to the pilots and paramedics who respond to thousands of call outs each year.

isn’t anyone we might just get one call. So sometime we land and take it as we see it.”

This happens three to four times a day on average in Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance, however during the summer months they can be called up to eight or nine times a day. Approximately once or twice a month the charity run service for the people of Dorset and Somerset get a call to a really critical situation. It’s a service, which more often than not means the difference between someone surviving that critical situation or dying.

One pilot and two paramedics work every day and go out on all shouts during their morning to dusk shift. The helicopter cannot run past those hours due to the nature of the service, which is legally entitled to land

anywhere. The helicopter will often circle the landing spot a couple of times to “recce” the area to ensure it is safe to land. Past dusk the possibility of hitting power-lines and other obstacles become a very real threat as visibility decreases.

“I was paramedic on the road and there are different routes you can go such as become a Clinical Support Officer, or one of the options was to become an air crew paramedic,” said Jon, who has been a paramedic with the air ambulance for three years and nine years in total with the NHS.

“I choose that because the air crew get a lot of exposure to the real jobs; quite regularly, we’re involved in an awful lot of trauma incident, and I thought that was the one for me. I love the job I do. The harder the job I do, the more I get out of it.”

On any given day the crew will attend anything from heart attacks to explosions and road traffic accidents which is where the serious injuries occur and the air ambulance becomes a vital tool in saving the critically ill.

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fected by the air ambulance in transporting patients to those hospitals, especially in coastal and road accidents, is key to the services 10 years of success.

Jon explains many of the roads in the two counties are single vehicle width, so the helicopter benefits from its ability to “drop” into the field next to the road, whereas a road ambulance could be caught up in traffic, which slows it down.

The charity provides the paramedics with everything they need, including training beyond that required by land based paramedics and cutting edge technology. One device, the Intro Ostris, was perfected during the middle-eastern conflict.

Jon said: “We use these devices on critically ill patients when, more often than not the land crews cannot gain intravenous access, because these are poorly people. The IO is a last ditch piece of equipment and something’s going really wrong if we need it. And that’s just one piece of equipment, we’ve got lots.

“The good thing with the air ambulance is we

have two paramedics whereas a land ambulance has one driver and one paramedic. Both of us might have to work fairly hard with a critically ill patient, so we don’t take two patients because it’s not fair. In the case of a road traffic accident where there is three or four people in each car that obviously delegates the ambulance service in the area because there is not an ambulance per person. So what we can do is shuttle round and take the critically ill person to hospital and go back for more.”

Currently two pilots work on a rolling rota of five days on and five days off, but if both are on holiday a registered pilot is brought in for the day or week to fly the helicopter.

One of the regular pilots, Phil Merritt, always wanted to the job and previously spent 19 years flying a number of different types of helicopters for the Royal Air Force.

Then when he left the forces he thought of the possible jobs he might apply for, the role and operation of air ambulances seemed the most interesting and most suitable for him, given his previous experience.

Now employed by Bond Air Services, he says he hasn’t looked back since starting the

“immensely satisfying, challenging and enjoyable” job.

He explains the key role the helicopter plays is in allowing the service to take a patient from the scene of the incident to the most appropriate hospital very quickly.

“This means that the patient will start to receive the required definitive care sooner than might otherwise have been the case,” he said. “Their pain can be managed more quickly and specialist medical care provided which will allow a speedier recovery.

“The speed of the helicopter can reduce the time that the patient is in pain and can, by bringing them to hospital quickly, save lives.

“This means that even in the most dire of situations people are very pleased to see us and are appreciative of our assistance.”

“It gives me great job satisfaction and pleasure in being able to help people who are hurt or unwell by bringing the medical experts to them.”

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Knob of Butter
Placed washed gutted mackerel each on a piece of tin foil. Place knob of butter inside and slices of onion. Sprinkle with salt, pepper and lemon juice, wrap in foil and place on barbecue for about 10-15 minutes remembering to turn. You can eat warm or cold.

Barbecued Honey Chicken

6 Chicken Legs
4 tablespoons Honey
2 tablespoons Olive Oil
2 tablespoons White Wine Vinegar
1 teaspoon each of Ground Coriander
Basil and Chilli Powder
a pinch of Mustard Powder.
Mix all the ingredients together, brush the chicken legs with generous amounts of the mixture. Barbecue for 10 minutes.

Veggie skewer

Pineapple
Mushroom
Red Onion
Red and Yellow Peppers
Courgette
3tbsp Olive Oil
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John also has extensive experience in other areas of litigation, including disputes relating to commercial and consumer contracts, debts, trusts and property - having won a landlord and tenant dispute in the Court of Appeal.

Sian Merriott joined Blackburn & Co in May 2010 having been admitted as a solicitor in 1992. Sian has worked at various law firms where she has specialized in all areas of family law including divorce, ancillary relief (financial settlement on divorce) and Chil-

dren Act 1989 applications. Sian is a member of both Resolution and the Law Society's Advanced Family Law Panel; she is also a trained Collaborative lawyer. Her approach to family matters is conciliatory if at all possible as she firmly believes that it is in both parties interests to reach agreement, especially if children are involved. However, Sian also has a great deal of court experience and will pursue the matter through the court if necessary to obtain the fairest outcome for her client.

Property conveyancing is another major element of the firm's work, undertaken by Sian Merriott and Gillian Philipps, a conveyancing executive. Gillian has been conveyancing in Dorset for more than 12 years, the last 8 of which have been spent on Portland working with clients from Lands End to Cumbria.

Mr Blackburn said he "established the firm because (he) felt the time was right for a

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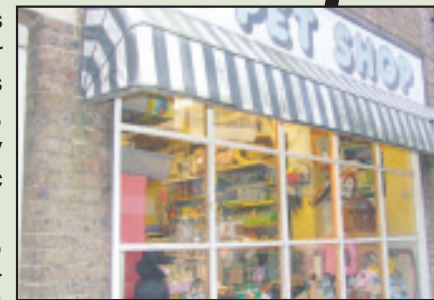
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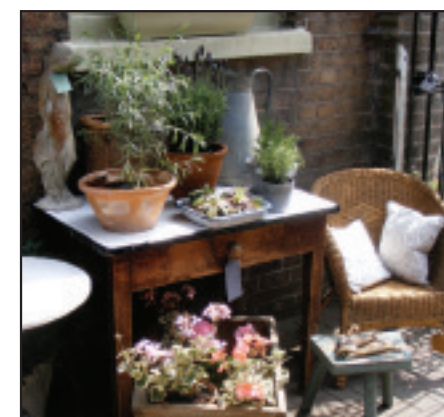
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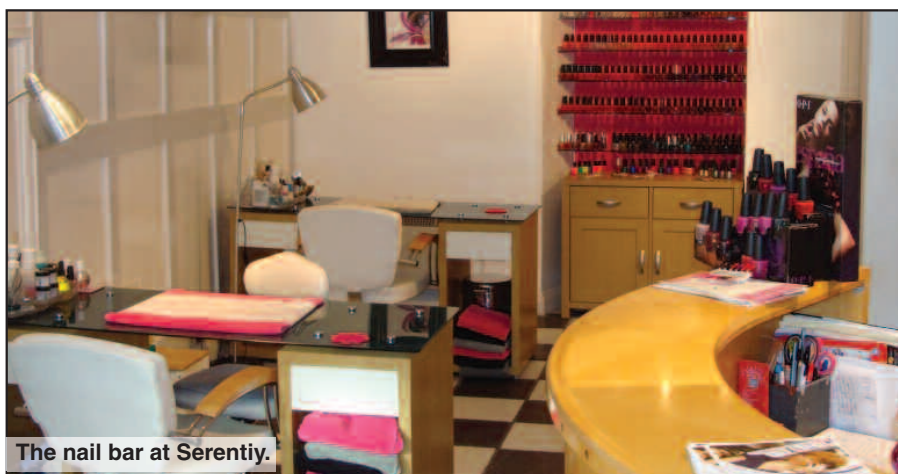
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Billy's vision was to offer his customers the chance to pick fresh fish from the counter and watch from their tables as it was filleted and cooked before them whilst they chatted with the chefs so as to learn the art and also mention personal preferences, tastes or dietary requirements.

The restaurant that Billy created now seats 36 and more if the venue is booked for private buffet parties. The business also has been known to cater for wedding parties, birthdays (with karaoke) and also special cook nights where you can (in small groups at a time) actually go into the kitchen and take part in the process of filleting and cooking the fish.

There are lunch and evening menus containing all fresh locally caught fish, meat and vegetarian options, vegetables which come, in particular, from Billy's father's allotment which adds to the friendly local feel of the business.

Lunch is served daily from 11-4pm and evening dinner from Thursday to Saturday from 7pm-late but Billy would like to make it clear that if you wish to book a table for an evening that is not advertised as open, the team will gladly open the restaurant to meet your needs. The fish counter is open Monday - Friday between 9-5pm. Billy the Fish is a quirky and unique dining experience that should be tried by all lovers of fresh fish. The style and layout of the restaurant and kitchen provides a great atmosphere in which to dine as customers and staff can communicate freely.

Shelley the chef would like to recommend trying live lobsters and crabs cooked to order, the stuffed lemon sole with chopped coriander, parsley, capers, lemon zest, and black pepper layered on one fillet and covered with the other or the mixed platter of fish or shellfish. Whatever your taste the diverse menu that can be flexibly personalised to your specific needs is well worth a look. To book or make enquiries call 01305 757428 / 07709428389 or email billy.fresh@hotmail.co.uk

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What's On The Menu At Napper's Mite

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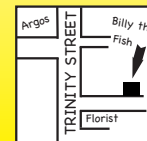
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View 2 Music

From New Zealand
to the West Country

ALTHOUGH Neil Finn is undoubtedly one of the southern hemisphere's greatest songwriters, somehow his music has remained somewhat inessential.

Many of his loyal band of followers would disagree, but regardless of the quality of songs Neil's recorded with Split Enz, solo, with his brother Tim, and - of course - Crowded House, for some unknown reason he's not mentioned in the same breath as other songwriters to which he is clearly equal. Is this some sort of prejudice towards Antipodean singer-songwriters? Who knows? But surely it's time to reevaluate Mr Finn.

Crowded House were in the West Country last week for shows in Plymouth and Bristol, and I caught the band down at the Pavilions. The evening's set list was a mixture of old and new (with plenty of tracks from the yet to be released *Intriguer*) which the crowd lapped up.

There was the usual problem of an all-seated crowd taking a while to get into the spirit of things, but by the end of the night the audience was on its feet and the atmosphere was one of celebration.

This was in marked contrast to the last time the band toured, when they were still in mourning for their original drummer Paul Hester, as some shows were rather subdued affairs. But the Crowdies are back, and this time - going on the sound of the new songs and the feel of their concert - ready to party!

Neil (an underrated frontman as well as a songwriter) regaled the crowd, particularly with his story on how bass player Nick Seymour was lost on his bike, miles from the arena, shortly before the gig! This resulted in one of the roadies bringing on Nick's bike so he could do a few laps around the stage as penance.

Whereas the band's last record began as a Neil Finn solo album and morphed into a new Crowdies disc, the new LP has been a group effort from the start. It sounds more than promising.

Neil's career got going in the late 1970s when he replaced Phil Judd in his brother Tim Finn's band, Split Enz, writing such hits as 'One Step Ahead', 'History Never Repeats', 'I Got You' and 'Message To My Girl'.

When the band split up in the mid-1980s, Neil took the group's final drummer, Paul Hester, and formed a new band. After recruiting Nick Seymour on bass (and a brief dalliance with Craig Hooper on guitar) Crowded House was born.

After two albums - their self-titled debut and *Temple Of Low Men* - Neil shook things up by bringing his brother Tim into the band for the hugely successful *Woodface*. The record spawned such hits as 'Weather With You', 'It's Only Natural' and 'Fall At Your Feet' but Tim's presence in the band caused tensions and he left the group in late 1991.

The band re-grouped in 1993 for one more record, *Together Alone*, with session keyboard player Mark Hart now installed as a full-time member of the band. There were plenty of hits - 'Pineapple Head', 'Locked Out', 'Private Universe' and 'Distant Sun' - but it wasn't too long before things began to fall apart. Drummer Paul Hester quit midway through a tour in 1994 and, once the dates were completed, Neil reconnected with brother Tim to record the album *Finn*.

Neil confirmed the end of Crowded House at a press conference in June 1996, but the band managed to go out in style. They came together - reunited with both Tim Finn and Paul Hester - for a celebratory gig on the steps of Sydney Opera House that November.

Post-Crowdies, Neil released two solo albums - *Try Whistling This* (1998) and *One Nil* (2001) - and a second album - *Everyone Is Here* (2004) - with his brother. In 2001, Neil also organised the 7 Worlds Collide musical project, where he collaborated with members of Radiohead, The Smiths and Pearl Jam on a series of live shows in New Zealand (the supergroup would later reunite for a studio album, released last year).

But tragedy struck in March 2005 when drummer Paul Hester committed suicide. This led to the remaining members of Crowded House re-connecting and, by the summer of 2007, the band - now joined by drummer Matt Sherrad - had released new album *Time On Earth*.

Hopefully this incarnation of the band will stick together for a few more years. The sixth Crowded House album, *Intriguer*, is released next Monday (June 14th).

by James Coles



CROWDED HOUSE | Neil Finn, Nick Seymour, Mark Hart and Matt Sherrad

Poetry for
Pleasure

by Frank McGarry

AS we approach Father's Day it is a good time to share with you this poem by Yehuda Amichai, an Israeli poet who died ten years ago. It has been translated from the original Hebrew by Azila Talit Reisenberger.

My Father

The memory of my father is wrapped up in
white paper, like sandwiches taken for a day at work.

Just as a magician takes towers and rabbits
out of his hat, he drew love from his small body,

and the rivers of his hands
overflowed with good deeds.

We all know the words to that old music hall song 'I'm following in father's footsteps, following my dear old dad.' Well Seamus Heaney did that quite literally, as he explains in this lyric poem.

Follower

My father worked with a horse-plough,
His shoulders globed like a full sail strung
Between the shafts and the furrow.
The horses strained at his clicking tongue.

An expert. He would set the wing
And fir the bright steel-pointed sock.
The sod rolled over without breaking.
At the headrig, with a single pluck

Of reins, the sweating team turned round
And back into the land. His eye
Narrowed and angled at the ground,
Mapping the furrow exactly.

I stumbled in his hobnailed wake,
Fell sometimes on the polished sod;
Sometimes he rode me on his back
Dipping and rising to his plod.

I wanted to grow up and plough,
To close one eye, stiffen my arm.

All I ever did was follow
In his broad shadow round the farm.

I was a nuisance, tripping, falling,
Yapping always. But today
It is my father who keeps stumbling
Behind me, and will not go away.

The Pulitzer Prize-winning American poet, Marianne Moore (1887-1972) wrote this unusual poem about her father, an engineer and inventor. What makes the verse a little mysterious is the fact that she never met him. He had been committed to a mental hospital before she was born and died when Marianne was only seven. As most of the words are attributed to her father, John Milto Moore, he appears to have written more of the poem than the daughter he never got to know.

Silence

My father used to say,
"Superior people never make long visits,
have to be shown Longfellow's grave
or the glass flowers at Harvard.
Self-reliant like the cat-
that takes its prey to privacy,
the mouse's limp tail
hanging like a shoelace from its mouth-
they sometimes enjoy solitude,
and can be robbed of speech
by speech which has delighted them.
The deepest feeling always shows itself in silence;
not in silence, but restraint."
Nor was he insincere in saying,
"Make my house your inn."
Inns are not residences.

If you ever visit Cambridge, Massachusetts you will be able to see the Glass Flowers collection (all made in Germany, near Dresden) in the Harvard Museum of Natural History.

If you have a short poem of your own that you would like to share with our readers please send it to: "Poetry for Pleasure", Lyme Media & Events Ltd, St Michael's Business Centre, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3QF. Or e-mail it to us at: pemedi@pemedi.co.uk

Special concert featuring
Purcell students in
Whitchurch Canoncorum

BEFORE John Bain retired as Headmaster of the Purcell School he and his wife Cynthia often brought groups of their pupils to spend a weekend making music at their home in Whitchurch Canoncorum. Many of these pupils were from various parts of the world and enjoyed a relaxed weekend in the glorious Dorset countryside and on the beaches nearby, as well as giving evenings of music in the village hall and the church. After retirement, and missing the buzz of live music being performed all around them by the young, John and Cynthia were telephoned by a former pupil who was studying at the Royal Academy of Music and needed to run through her programme for a major competition. Word got around many former Purcellians at the colleges that this was a good opportunity to try out performances for future London concerts, exams and competitions, and the local West Dorset audience enjoyed the experience of having such a high standard of performance in their village.

The Bains were delighted to maintain contact with their former pupils and enjoyed having their home full of music on concert weekends. Thus the Whitchurch Purcellian Concerts were launched. Eleven years later, each summer they welcome chamber groups, duos and soloists which, although predominantly former pupils of the Purcell School, have also included their college friends and accompanists. It is still a thrill to have a Wigmore Hall run-through in the church a week or so before the real thing.

In that time, many past pupils have gone on to have international careers, but still enjoy coming back to Whitchurch to play and to enjoy the fine acoustic quality of the historic church of St Candida and Holy Cross. The Whitchurch PCC generously acquired for the church a brand new Kawai RX3C grand piano in memory of the late Hazel Thurston, a music-loving benefactor. The new instrument is an inspiration to the Purcellian pianists.

On Saturday, June 19th, the Whitchurch Purcellians will host a concert by current pupils of the Purcell School at St Candida and Holy Cross church, Whitchurch Canoncorum. John Bain said, "We don't know yet who is coming but they had fantastic success in BBC Young Musician this year, with 2 of the 3 finalists. Lara won, and Emma, the flautist came down to Whitchurch with the school last October. It's also the 30th anniversary of the Government's Music and Dance Scheme, which provides funding at the schools for these musicians."

Opportunity for William Barnes fans

THERE is a chance to hear an extract from a new book about Dorset poet William Barnes before it is released on general sale later this month.

Dr Alan Chedzoy will be reading a story from his book 'The People's Poet: William Barnes of Dorset' at the annual summer lunch of the William Barnes Society to be held at the Wessex

Royale Hotel, High Street West, Dorchester on Saturday June 19th.

In the first biography of Barnes to be published for 25 years, Dr Chedzoy will be reading 'Barnes in Love', a moving but sometimes comical account of how the poet courted Julia Miles in the 1820's which unintentionally set all Dorchester laughing about it.

Tickets which are limited and on a first-come basis are priced at £15 each and can be obtained from Brian Caddy, 31 Casterbridge Road, Dorchester DT1 2AH or by telephoning 01305 260348.

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Comedy opera for Arts Centre show

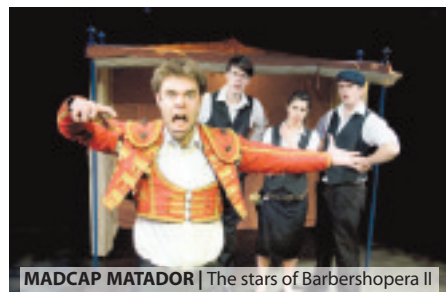
FOLLOWING sell-out success, critical acclaim and awards at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe in 2008 and 2009, and a recent West End run, Barbershopera are coming to Bridport Arts Centre with their latest a cappella comedy musical – Barbershopera II.

The talented foursome tell the story of a Catalan matador who inherits his dead father's barbershop in Shavingham, Norfolk. Will our young hero manage to enchant the locals with his continental flair? Will he uncover the murky mystery of his father's death? Will he succeed in taking on local hairdresser extraordinaire Trevor Sorbet in a dramatic cut-off? And will he ever leave Norfolk again?

This talented quartet (including a female barber-ess!) manages to combine effortless comedy with perfect four-part harmony to create an entertaining and wonderfully absurd evening of entertainment.

The co-writing team of Rob Castell and Tom Sadler and director Sarah Tipple have come together again to create another delightfully daft but beautifully harmonious show. They perform with returning 'barbershoppers' Lara Stubbs and Pete Sorel-Cameron. Barbershopera II delighted audiences at Edinburgh Fringe 2009 and won the award for Most Promising Lyrics at the Musical Theatre Matters Awards (their previous show also won this accolade in 2008).

The company's first show has been recorded by BBC Radio 4 and was broadcast on May Bank Holiday Monday in Radio 4's 'Afternoon Play' slot.



Beautiful ballet back in Bridport

IT is an annual summer treat that has lost none of its popularity over the many years they have been coming to Bridport Arts Centre.

Now in it's 25th year Ballet Central need little in the way of introduction, their reputation goes before them. The quality of their performance comes from their pedigree as the graduating class of the world-renowned Central School of Ballet.

Performing over two nights they offer a varied programme of ballet, contemporary and jazz from some of the world's leading choreographers. It is comprised of the School's final year graduate students offering them a unique opportunity to experience 'life on the road' of a touring company. Captivating audiences and critics alike they have won praise time and again.

The 2010 repertoire features David Nixon's Song to St Andrew, Christopher Bruce's Shift and excerpts from Peter Wright's Giselle and Michael Pink's Dracula. Kit Holder, Louise Bennett and past graduate Christopher Marney are creating new pieces for this tour, and the School's Director Sara Matthews will be reviving Dances from a Knot Garden. Michael Pink's dramatic narrative piece I Don't Want To Set The World On Fire and Phillip Aiden's Let Yourself Go complete this exciting programme (although this may be subject to change).

Philip Feeney, Musical Director, will provide live accompaniment during the tour.

Ballet Central perform at Bridport Arts Centre on Thursday 10 and Friday, June 11 at 7.30pm. Box Office: 01308 424204. Tickets are priced £12, £11 Supporters, £8 concs, £7 students.

Trilby-topped ska stars for Palace show

LOS ALBERTOS are a six-piece ensemble of trilby adorned ska-dance protagonists who've been transmitting their hi-energy melodies to the nation since their formation in 2002.

Christened by the barmaid at their debut gig, their fistful of grinning 2-tone skank with a twist of Santana has drawn attention from far beyond the pebbled beaches of their hometown Brighton, leading to regular appearances at Glastonbury and Beautiful Days festivals.

With international critical acclaim, such as a five star review from *Live Review* ("If you like ska, you'll love Los Albertos. If you don't like ska, you'll still love Los Albertos") you can see them live at Bridport's own top music

Churchill Productions bring Honour to Electric Palace

DO not miss the opportunity of seeing an exciting new production of the play *Honour* by Churchill Productions at the Electric Palace on Thursday, July 15th.

Honour is a thought provoking drama which treats an all-too-common story in a very uncommon way.

Joanna Murray-Smith's touching, immaculately drawn tale of a mature marriage is funny and poignant, describing the moving balance of power with astonishing accuracy.

This new production by Churchill features the superb Jan Wyld, whose previous performances at the Palace include 'Two' and 'A Bed Amongst The Lentils' and also John Billington. It also introduces two brilliant newcomers, Emily MacGregor and Kate Billington and is directed with characteristic verve by Pete Talman.

Tickets are on sale now for £10 from Bridport Tourist Information Centre on 01308 424901. Doors open 7pm for a 7.30pm start.

Bridport cinema offers free tickets for the World Cup!

THE Electric Palace in Bridport is breaking the mould of conventional cinema, by screening the 2010 World Cup on their cinema screen which is a staggering 29 feet by 13 feet!

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View 2 TV

Good news for Red Dwarf fans

BBC2 sci-fi comedy Red Dwarf will return for two new series. Craig Charles, who plays David Lister, revealed on BBC Radio 2: "I can now announce we are going to be doing two more series of it starting in January next year... I got the call today. They said 'Craig, can you do it?' I said 'I'll sort it out! So I will be able to do it in January.'" Chris Barrie, who plays Arnold Rimmer, told the Coventry Telegraph: "There are plans afoot to have a tenth series," adding: "I don't really know anything more than I'm saying, believe me."

FORMER Spice Girl Geri Halliwell will take over from Dannii Minogue during the audition stage of this year's X Factor.

Starting in Glasgow tomorrow, Ginger Spice will temporarily team up with Cheryl Cole, Louis Walsh and Simon Cowell whilst Minogue takes time off ahead of the birth of her first child next month.

And Halliwell won't be the only star joining the show during the auditions process. The Daily Star is reporting that Cowell has dusted off his celebrity rolodex in order to call on a series of superstar guest judges that could include another former Spice Girl, Mel B, as well as Robbie Williams.

EAMONN Holmes is clearly a fan of Christine Bleakley – claiming The One Show presenter would be "the perfect and only choice" to join her former co-star Adrian Chiles on the GMTV sofa. He told the Belfast Telegraph: "Together they make a very good brand. They are worth more as a team than as individuals. Christine moving - [it] had to happen. People want to wake up to Christine and she will not go wrong." He added: "It is a big task for Christine, because GMTV is a broken brand. I think the name - GMTV - will have to go. There is now a great opportunity for the show to make a fresh start."

CORONATION Street stars have voiced their support of ITV1's decision to postpone the soap's much-anticipated gun siege storyline in the wake of the Cumbria shootings. Speaking on the BAFTA red carpet, Helen Worth, who plays Gail, said: "It was absolutely the right decision. It couldn't have gone out knowing what the content is. The network made the right decision." William Roache, who plays Ken Barlow, added: "It was a very sensitive and appropriate thing to do and when you see the episodes you'll understand why."

by Rob Larcombe

A Very Tall Story

GULLIVER'S Travels, the classic adult satire by Jonathan Swift in a new adaptation by Toby Hulse ends its UK tour at the Marine Theatre in Lyme Regis on Friday 11th June.

Imagine a land full of corruption, led by conceited and weak politicians, where the baser instincts of human nature reign supreme and only the faint hope of redemption remains...sound familiar?

From the miniature monsters of Lilliput to the gentle giants of Brobdingnag, from the maniacal scientists of Laputa to the brutish Yahoos, Jonathan Swift wove the story of all stories. As Lemuel Gulliver's tales become wilder and wilder Mary, his wife, and Sympson, his cousin, are pulled into the stories, helping to create the weird and wonderful worlds and a host of extraordinary characters. The Spitting Image and Day Today of its time, Gulliver's Travels remains as viciously funny and as outrageously truthful as the day that it was first published.

This hilarious and striking adaptation of Gulliver's extraordinary journey is true to the spirit of Jonathan Swift's original stunning, fantastical adult satire. It not only leaps 300 years of progress like a tiny Lilliputian sea, it strikes a deep chord of human truth, laughter and empathy over the centuries. This imaginative new production will delight, shock, and thoroughly entertain just as Swift intended.

The show is brought to the Marine Theatre by the Olivier award-winning Watermill Theatre in Newbury, the UK's most successful regional producer of music theatre productions. Its production of Bubbles, also directed by Ade Morris, made a very successful visit to the Marine Theatre in September last year.

The play is suitable for age 14 upwards

Gulliver's Travels will be performed at the Marine Theatre at 7.30pm on Friday, June 11th. Tickets cost £12 (£9 concessions), available from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre on 01297 442138, on the door or online at www.marinetheatre.org.uk.



ON HIS TRAVELS | A scene from Watermill Theatre's production

TOWN BAND MEMBERS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS

MEMBERS of Lyme Regis Town Band recently celebrated the birthdays of three of their colleagues with a special cake. Baritone player Ron Marraner, 1st cornet Libby Down and principal cornet Peter Hurdwell were the unsuspecting subjects.

Whilst not divulging individual ages, Ron, as a 'well-established octogenarian' and Libby in her 'mid teens' have an age difference of almost 70 years, whilst Peter would simply claim to be 'somewhere in between.'

Proof, if proof were needed, that the band welcomes players of all ages. There are now beginners' classes in operation for those with no previous experience and these are beginning to bear fruit. Band Secretary Gilly Warr recently progressed through these classes to the main band and is now fully established in the horn section. Gilly also organises refreshments for the twice weekly practices which are much appreciated by band members.

Summer is not far away and the band is busy practising the summer programme which is always greatly enjoyed by thousands of holiday-makers on Marine Parade. New members, both experienced and beginners are always welcome and those interested in joining should contact the Musical Director on 07899008985.

The band would also be delighted to hear from anyone prepared to collect at these concerts on a regular basis. Please contact Secretary Gilly Warr on 01297 442719. Full details of the band's activities can be found on its website www.lymeregistownband.co.uk



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Richard's change of
Gere as Brooklyn Cop

BASED in the notoriously rough Brownsville area of Brooklyn, New York, crime thriller "Brooklyn's Finest" (18) follows the lives of three troubled police officers who are, themselves, struggling to decipher between right and wrong.

Richard Gere stars as depressed, near-retirement officer Eddie Dugan, who works alongside Sal Procida (Ethan Hawke), who will do anything to provide for his ill wife and seven children, and Clarence Butler (Don Cheadle), who has spent so long undercover his priorities to the police have started to dwindle.

All three officers are dramatically transformed during their involvement in a serious and violent drugs raid.



CHANGING GERE | Richard Gere stars in *Brooklyn's Finest*

ACTING legend Vanessa Redgrave stars alongside Amanda Seyfried, Chris Egan, Gael Garcia Bernal and Franco Nero in Italy-based "Letters to Juliet" (15).

The romantic drama follows Sophie Hall (Seyfried) who discovers a love letter from Claire (Redgrave) written in 1957 in the wall of Juliet Capulet's house in Verona.

When Sophie writes back, Claire and her grandson Charlie (Egan) travel to Verona on a mission to find Claire's old romance, Lorenzo (Nero), and Sophie joins them.

The three travel across Italy and Charlie soon grows fond of Sophie. Will it be a Romeo and Juliet romance?



SHAKESPEAREAN SEARCH
Amanda Seyfried in *Letters to Juliet*

AMERICAN comedy "Greenberg" (15) stars Ben Stiller, Greta Gerwig, Rhys Ifans and Jennifer Jason Leigh.

The film follows 40-year-old New Yorker, Roger Greenberg (Stiller), who tries to figure out his life whilst house-sitting for his brother in Los Angeles.

He soon sparks romance with his brother's assistant Florence (Gerwig) and catches up with old friend Ivan (Ifans) who he hasn't seen in years.



STILL GREEN | Ben Stiller in comedy *Greenberg*

by Francesca Evans

CINEMA
LISTINGS

Friday, June 11th
- Thursday, June 17th

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Letters To Juliet (PG)

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Letters To Juliet (PG)

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Wed: 15.00, 20.25

Street Dance 3D (PG)

Sat, Sun: 13.05, 18.05

Wed: 18.05

Sex and the City 2 (15)

Daily: 19.45, Plus Wed: 14.30

Tooth Fairy (PG)

Daily: 17.30, Plus Sat, Sun:

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Plus Fri, Tue-Thur: 14.10

Prince of Persia:

The Sands of Time (12A)

Daily: 15.10, 17.50, 20.30

Plus Sat & Sun: 12.30

Robin Hood (12A)

Daily: 13.45, 16.45, 19.45

Plus Sun: 10.45

Sex and the City 2 (15)

Daily: 13.40, 16.50, 20.00

Plus Sun: 10.30

She's out of my league (15)

Sat, Sun: 18.25

Fri, Mon & Tue: 13.20, 18.25

Street Dance 3D (PG)

Daily: 13.50, 16.10, 18.30, 20.50

Plus Sat & Sun: 11.30

Brooklyn's Finest (15)

Daily: 14.20, 17.10, 20.00

Plus Sat & Sun: 11.30

Letters to Juliet (PG)

Daily: 13.25, 15.50, 18.15, 20.40

Plus Sat & Sun: 11.00

The Killer Inside Me (18)

Daily: 13.00, 15.30, 18.10, 20.40

Alvin & The Chipmunks 2: The

Squeakuel (U) Sat: 10.10

Bolt (PG) Sat: 10.20

Space Chimps 2: Zartog

Strikes (U)

Sat & Sun: 10.30, 12.30, 14.30

The Princess and the Frog (U)

Sat: 10.00

Tooth Fairy (PG)

Sat & Sun: 11.05, 13.25

Great Expectations (PG)

Mon: 13.50

Killers (12A)

Wed & Thu: 14.00, 16.20, 18.40,

21.00

ADVANCED BOOKING

The Twilight Saga - Eclipse (TBC)

Fri, 2nd July: 00.05

Sat, 3rd: 11.30, 14.30, 17.30,

20.30, 23.30, Sun, 4th: 11.30,

14.30, 17.30, 20.30, Fri, 9th:

14.30, 17.30, 20.30, Sat, 10th &

Sun 11th: 11.30, 14.30, 17.30,

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REAL Food for Real People, is the theme of this year's Bridport Food Festival and thanks to the input of producers and businesses from across the community, the event looks set to live up to its promise. Organisers are pleased to announce a packed programme of activities with a full seven days of foodie fun from Sunday, June 13th to the Festival's main outdoor event in Asker Meadows on Saturday, June 19th.

EXPERIENCE | Tractor Rides, sheep shearing and a Lawn Tea are just part of the fun planned for Washingpool Farm's 10th Birthday celebrations on Sunday, June 13th. Denhay Farm will also be opening its doors from 2pm on the same day, offering visitors the chance to see behind the scenes. Sea Spring Seeds will be welcoming visitors to explore its specialist market gardens at 3pm and 7pm on Wednesday, June 16th and the same evening the Bridport

Community Orchard will host a Jazz Picnic from 7.30pm with Jazz from the Julie Dunn Trio with a bar and seafood provided by the George Hotel and BBQ from Manor Farm at Shipton Gorge. On Thursday, June 17th enjoy a fascinating insight into a family-run chocolate empire; My Life In The Business a fascinating visit-behind-the-scenes of the Thornton chocolate family business will be told by Peter Thornton. Hosted by the Electric Palace as part of its Talking Books events, this begins from 7.30pm.

TASTE | A must for cider enthusiasts, Chideock's cider makers will host a tasting and perhaps even share some of the secrets of its traditionally made brew in Bucky Doo square on Friday 18th from 12 noon with Cheese and Cider bread from Leakers and Cheddar from Denhay. Earlier in the week, Wine and Cheese experts from Bridport's West Street Waitrose will be offering a wide range local food samples on

Monday 14th and in a real feast for the senses, on Tuesday, June 15th The Electric Palace will host Food & Film with a screening of cooking comedy-drama Julie & Julia and All-You-Can-Eat buffet gourmet buffet from Le Pip caterers from 6pm and with the film starting at 7.30pm.

CREATE | Places are still available to learn the Art of Indian Cooking with Helen Choudray on Tuesday from 2.30pm at East Street's Taj Mahal, but if you can't wait until then to get creative and fancy getting into a bit of a pickle, a Spicy Summer Competition has recently been launched by Fruits of the Earth to find a prizewinning chutney, salsa or pickle! Entry forms can be picked up from its Victoria Grove shop or download from the Festival website.

FIELD LAUNCH BY RIVER COTTAGE FRIENDS | Friends of River Cottage are confirmed to open this year's main festival event; Preserves Expert Pam Corbin and Funghi & Wild Food Specialist John Wright will be hosting a Q&A in Asker Meadows from 7.30 on Friday 18th June. "Pam the Jam" will offer advice on putting the summer's bounty of fruits to best use while John will share his expertise on mushroom foraging and finding edible delights on our seashores. As the beer festival gets underway from 6pm Bridport's Lions Club will host a hog roast for the hungry with meats from Rawles, Washingpool and Bonners of Ilminster.

MAIN EVENT | The Festival's main celebration takes place from 10am on Saturday, June 19th when Asker Meadows will be filled with Marquees including a Demonstration Tent where visitors can enjoy live demonstrations from local cooks, a vibrant Farmers Market, a Festival Tea Tent which will be serving luscious cream teas as well as an exciting new Seafood Area. The new Seafood Extravaganza will offer deli-

cious seafood platters, expert advice on fish filleting, crab dressing as well as a range of delicious smoked fishes to buy

Chefs and cooks will be creating Meals in Minutes including vegetarian expertise from Elizabeth McNeice at the Green Yard Café, and Thai cooking using local ingredients from grower and cook Pheerya Hill. Stephan Frigon from the Olive Tree will share his flair for Mediterranean Food Ian Simpson from Charmouth's White House Hotel and Caroline Parkins from Leakers Bakery will share the secret of her award-winning scones.

The festival will also see the final judging of the enormously popular Easy Peasy Gardening Competition.

The Bridport Food Festival has something for all those excited about food and keen to experience the culinary delights that West Dorset has to offer.

Entrance is £2 and FREE for under-14s. For a full programme of events please visit the Festival Website at www.bridportfoodfestival.co.uk. There is no parking on site (only for disabled) and we will be operating a park and ride from West Bay. For further information or images call Jemima on 07973 814754 or email jemimagiblin@mac.com.



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THURSDAY JUNE 10th

BRIDPORT: Friends of Bridport Millennium Green AGM from 7.30pm at Mountfield, public welcome.

FRIDAY JUNE 11th

BRADPOLE: Bradpole pre-school Open Day - come and meet the staff, and see our premises and have a play from 1pm - 3pm at Bradpole Pre-School, Sir John Colfox School. Telephone 01308 456668 for more details.

FRIDAY JUNE 11th - SUNDAY JUNE 13th

WHITCHURCH CANONICORUM: Flower Festival - theme: 'Those Special Days'. Refreshments available all day. From 10am - 6pm daily, concert at 6.30pm on Sunday evening involving more details*. At St Candida and Holy Cross Church. Telephone 01308 421486 or email stcandida@googlemail.com for more details.

SATURDAY JUNE 12th

LODERS: Talk: 'Dorset Farmhouses and Cottage' by Bob Maching from 2pm at Lodgers Village Hall. Telephone 01935 812347 for more details.

LITTON CHENEY NEAR BRIDPORT: Hebr Workshop 10am - 4pm. An exploration of the plants growing around us, for wildlife, food and medicine. The day includes a herb walk. For details and booking call 01308 459574.

BOTHENHAMPTON: Film: 'The Blind Side' in Bothenhampton Village Hall from 7.30pm. Doors open 7pm. Tickets £4 for members, £5 for everybody else. For more info call 01308 458006.

SUNDAY JUNE 13th

BRIDPORT: The New Hardy Players (from Dorchester) will give an open air performance at Bridport's Millennium Green from 6.30pm (or in the town hall from 7pm if wet). Call 01308 459 039 for more details.

MARTINSTOWN: Marie Curie Blooming Tea Party & Crafts at Martinstown Village Hall from 2pm - 5pm. Telephone 01305 889250 for more details.

MONDAY JUNE 14th

PARKSTONE: 'The Cutty Sark' a talk by Cdr Bruce Nicholls at St John's Church Hall. 7.30pm for 8pm start. Members £2, non members £3, parking available. For further information Tel 01202 785623 or visit our website www.dorsetfhs.org.uk
WEYMOUTH: 'Tresco and the Isles of Scilly' a slidetalk by Garden Tour Host Martin Catford. Radipole and Southill Horticultural Society extend an invitation to members and visitors to attend this meeting at Southill Community Centre, Radipole Lane. From 7.30pm.

TUESDAY JUNE 15th

BRIDPORT: Bridport Millennium Green Trust AGM at Mountfield from 7.30pm, Public Welcome.

SATURDAY JUNE 19th

BRIDPORT: Victorian Church Fayre celebrating 150th anniversary at Briport United Church Hall from 10am - 1pm. Stalls and light lunches. Telephone 01308 424551 for more details.

CORSCOMBE: Corscombe Tithe Barn Fete from 12noon til 5pm at Crscombe Court (opposite Fox Inn). Telephone 01935 891321 for more details.

LYME REGIS: Jumble Sale / Bric a brac at Woodmead Halls from 2pm, telephone 01297 445606 for more details.

FRIDAY JUNE 25th

HOLDITCH NEAR THORNCOMBE: Coffee Evening Jumble Sale and other stalls from 7.30pm at Holditch Hall.

SATURDAY JUNE 26th

BRIDPORT: Coffee Morning for Help for Heroes at Bridport United Church Hall from 10am - 12midday. Telephone 01308 421629 for more details.

DORCHESTER: Garden Party with stalls, lunches, barbecue, games, competitions and cream teas at the Vicarage, 38 Herringston Road from 12 noon - 4pm. Telephone 01305 260 259 for more details.

MOSTERTON: Barn Dance with Crooked Furrow at Mosterton Village Hall from 7.30pm for 8pm start. £8 including Ploughman's. Bar available, telephone 01308 868631 for more details.

SATURDAY JUNE 26th - SUNDAY JULY 11th

BEAMINSTER: Beaminster Festival Exhibitions: 'Railways and Tunnels' - An Exhibition of Art-Deco railway company posters from the 1920s and 1930s. On loan from the Victoria Art Gallery, Bath. Annual Exhibition - Beaminster & District Camera Club. Exhibition of Work - Photography Dept, Beaminster School. The Exhibitions take place at Beaminster Museum, Whitcombe Road. Telephone 01308 863577 for more details.

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9. Bivalve mollusc (7)

10. Urchin (5)
11. Fire-raising (5)

12. Canadian province (7)

13. Prodigal (6)
15. Dormant (6)

18. Excess (7)
20. A characteristic (5)

22. Live (5)
23. Avoidance (7)

24. Enterprise (11)

Down

2. Russian mountains (5)
3. Special gifts (7)

4. Use (6)
5. Power (5)

6. Regret (7)
7. Firmly fixed (11)

8. Incapable (11)
14. Rendering (7)

16. Relapse (3-4)
17. Declare (6)

19. Supple (5)
21. Foreign (5)

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

Across: 1 Timorous; 5 Used; 9 Shut; 10 Distress; 11 Flood; 12 Trickle; 13 Pronouncement; 18 Restrain; 19 Night; 20 Stetson; 21 Siren; 22 Leer; 23 Alienate.
Down: 2 Inhaler; 3 Outworn; 4 Unintentional; 6 Speckle; 7 Descent; 8 Strife; 13 Perusal; 14 Obscene; 15 Onrush; 16 Mention; 17 Neglect.

SUDOKU

Fill in all the squares in the grids below so that every row, column and each of the nine 3x3 squares contain all the digits from one to nine.

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Kingston Maurward Summer Ball

On Saturday, June 26th Kingston Maurward will be hosting their annual Summer Ball with this year's theme a sultry, 'Latin Heatwave'. You will be served Champagne and canapes in the evening sunshine on your arrival, while you enjoy the views from the terrace, before experiencing a distinctly Latin event in the beautiful Dorset countryside.

The delicious menu provides mouth watering choices for each course making it almost impossible to choose what you would like to eat. Dishes such as Cuban style Pork with Papaya and Mango Salad or Achiote marinated Chicken Breast stuffed with Chorizo and Spinach for the main course promise to add real Latin flavour to the evening.

Professional dance instructors from 'Salsa Cascara' will be providing a fun and easy introduction to Salsa dancing followed by a demonstration from their talented performance team. If you need to rest your feet you can have a flutter in the fun casino or return to the terrace and watch the sun set over the picturesque lake.

Tickets are available by advance booking only and cost £40 per person. For more information and a full menu please contact Kingston Maurward's Hospitality Team on (01305) 215050 or email hospitality@kmc.ac.uk

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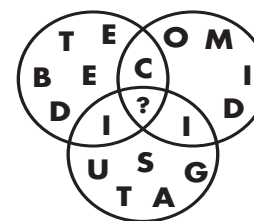
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CIRCLEGRAM

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be re-arranged to form words with a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:
The letter represented by the question mark is N. Typhoon, tsunami, tornado, all extreme forms of weather.

WORD SQUARE

Using the central letter and at least three others, how many words can you find? Plurals, proper nouns and hyphenated words are not allowed, and there is at least one 9-letter word.

20 words = OK,
35 words = Good,
50 words = Great,
60+ words = Excellent.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:
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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:

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- Entrance hall
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A rare opportunity to acquire a purpose-built, ground floor flat with outstanding sea views, close to both the centre of the village of Charmouth and the beach

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CHARMOUTH - £179,000



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CHARMOUTH - £163,000



Delightful 2 bed holiday property set within a purpose built complex with use of swimming pool and fishing lakes.

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- Fishing Lakes • Panoramic Countryside Views

CHARMOUTH - £319,000



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CHARMOUTH - £220,000



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CHARMOUTH - £160,000



Delightful 3 bed holiday property set within a purpose built complex with use of swimming pool and fishing lakes.

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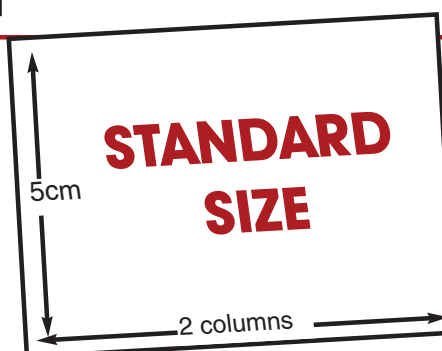
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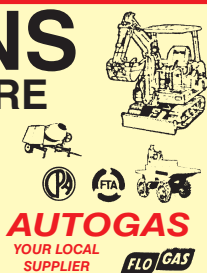
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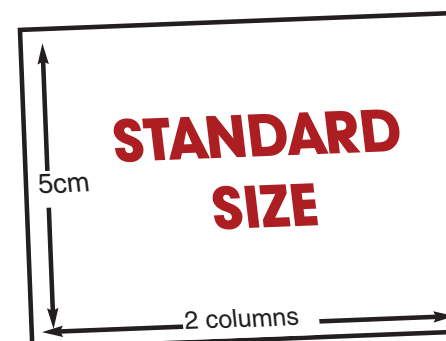
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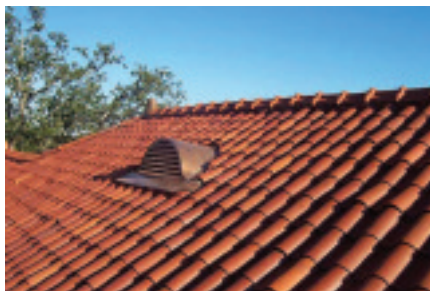
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Toyota signals continued confidence in UK motor manufacturing with new Auris Hybrid production

TOYOTA'S decision to build its new Auris Hybrid in Britain is a tremendous vote of confidence both in its UK operations and in British car manufacturing. Being given the opportunity to produce the first volume hybrid vehicle to be made in Europe is a source of great pride for all Toyota Manufacturing UK (TMUK) employees.

Tony Walker, TMUK Deputy Managing Director explained: "Auris Hybrid is very important for TMUK. It provides a great opportunity for us to increase production and for Toyota to increase sales, and it is a source of great motivation for everyone here. As the first car in the C-segment to benefit from full hybrid technology it is helping lead the move to a low carbon economy in Europe."

Auris Hybrid production is the latest chapter in Toyota's on-going investment in TMUK. Britain was the site of Toyota's first European manufacturing operations, a car plant at Burnaston in Derbyshire and engine factory in Deeside, North Wales, came on stream in 1992. TMUK remains the company's largest manufacturing business in Europe, benefiting from £1.54 million in investment to date.

Experience, a skilled workforce, a strong environmental profile and the fact petrol and diesel-powered versions of Auris are already built by TMUK were key reasons for Toyota's decision. Tony Walker added: "As

we are already building Auris here, adding a new powertrain was a cost-effective manufacturing and sourcing decision. The UK is a great place for producing low carbon technologies, with strong Government support and public interest in cutting vehicle CO2 emissions."

Toyota's investment in new skills, quality and production systems at TMUK, both at Burnaston and at Deeside, where the 1.8-litre VVT-i petrol engine for Auris Hybrid is built, ensure that TMUK can respond to growing customer demand.

"We think more customers will make hybrid their powertrain of choice and at TMUK we have the capacity to make more vehicles and meet this demand. Toyota's strategy is to progressively expand full hybrid technology, with the goal of offering a hybrid version of all its models by 2020. As this happens, we will be well placed to produce more hybrid vehicles here in the UK."

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Inside, the 308 Millesim interior is perfectly in keeping with the exterior styling. The inclined design of the fascia panel helps to accentuate the feeling of space and the use of high quality materials (both to look at and to touch) creates an impression of quality seldom encountered in this level of vehicle.

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The 308 Millesim is launched in the UK in June priced from £16,245.00 on-the-road for the 1.4 VTi 98 version. All models ordered in

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Lexus celebrates a decade at the top

IT IS good to know that in life there are some things that don't change. And that's certainly true of the way Lexus cars impress their owners more than any other brand. The results of the 2010 J.D. Power and Associates/What Car? Vehicle Ownership Satisfaction Study (VOSS) show that for an unprecedented 10th year running Lexus has achieved the overall top ranking.

This means that the luxury brand has outperformed all others in every year since it became eligible for consideration. This independent recognition is all the more appreciated this year, as it coincides with Lexus's 20th anniversary in the UK.

Lexus also achieved the top ranking in three out of the study's four categories: Quality and Reliability, Appeal and Service Satisfaction. Its total index score of 846 was up 12 on last year's results, placing it 57 points ahead of the industry average.

Lexus is a pioneer of hybrid power and the VOSS results demonstrate how Lexus Hybrid Drive technology is delivering the quality, reliability, sophistication and ownership cost benefits premium market customers

desire. And Lexus's model range continues to develop in exciting directions, at one of the end of the spectrum with the ultra-exclusive LFA supercar, and at the heart of the premium C-segment with the full hybrid CT 200h, which will be launched at the end of this year.

The study's findings show the IS Sports Saloon was top-ranked among all compact executive cars, while the RX claimed both

the SUV category and the distinction of being the top-ranked model overall for a second time.

Belinda Poole, Lexus Director, said: "While everyone within Lexus is delighted with the study results, our focus remains on delivering the service, quality and ownership appeal that our customers expect."

"We are confident that with the expansion of our model range, the further develop-

ment of Lexus Hybrid Drive and the exceptional commitment of everyone at our Lexus Centres that we can continue to raise the benchmark for others to aspire to."

The J.D. Power and Associates/What Car? VOSS was based on more than 17,000 online interviews with UK owners of cars that were on average two years old.



▲ Lexus RX 450h

Drive your way to health and happiness

MORE than 60 per cent of motorists claim to be happier driving alone, a survey commissioned by Škoda UK reveals today, and according to a leading psychologist, this could be the answer to a healthier life.

The national study, undertaken by YouGov, found that respondents shun friends, family and even celebrities when it comes to driving companions, in search of valuable 'me time'.

When alone, respondents listed listening to music and the radio as their top source of happiness in the car (40%). Viewing beautiful scenery also uplifted their journey (12%) and nearly 10 per cent of interviewees said it gave them time to think.

Gladeana McMahon, one of the UK's leading psychologists, commented: "The findings from Škoda's survey illustrate how important alone time is. Driving on your own gives you time to think, whether mulling over issues or remembering good times. Given the hectic 24/7 lifestyles we all now seem to lead, the car has become a sanctuary for us to escape to, away from the stresses and strains of everyday life."

"Current research into the area of Positive Psychology also shows that people who spend time reflecting on what they are thankful for become more psychologically resilient. So if used positively, your daily car journey can be channelled to make you healthier and happier."

The survey also revealed that if we did have to share a car, TV favourite Cheryl

Cole and comedian Stephen Fry would be our top choice of famous faces, closely followed by George Clooney and Kylie Minogue.

When it comes to travelling with colleagues, half of those surveyed felt that it was time well spent in getting to know their fellow workers, although 20 per cent prefer to use the time to indulge in gossip about their colleagues.

Unsurprisingly, only one per cent of Brits consider their boss to be a favourite passenger, while eight per cent believe that isolated time with their manager in the car could help to improve their careers or promotion chances.

When it comes to car sharing annoyances, driving styles (32%), smelly or untidy interiors (29%) and backseat drivers (28%) were listed as the top complaints by British workers.

Catherine Sleigh, Head of Press and PR Škoda UK said, "In a fast-paced world, where people constantly juggle the pressures of work and everyday life, our need for a little 'me time' has never been so important. As result of this need to get away from phone calls, emails and everyday stresses, cars can be a haven, a 'home from home', especially when fitted with Škoda's comfortable seats, huge legroom and the latest technology. Our engineers work hard to focus on the ways people use their cars, so every Škoda is designed to enhance the time our drivers – and their families – spend in the car."



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Ford cars and commercials spring forward in May

FORD'S car and commercial vehicle ranges recorded significant sales gains during May to retain the blue oval brand's UK market lead.

As well as overall UK market leadership in cars and commercials, a position Ford has held for 33 and 44 years respectively, Ford vehicles also lead a number of industry segments. For cars, the Ford Fiesta, Ford Focus, Ford Mondeo and Ford Galaxy are all clear segment leaders while the Ford Transit continues its long-held position as the overall top-selling commercial vehicle in Britain.

During May, the Ford Focus, the Ford Kuga and the Ford S-MAX all recorded sales gains compared with May 2009. While for the year to the end of May, Ford Ka, Ford Fiesta, Ford Focus, Ford Kuga and Ford S-MAX all registered significant sales increases, compared with the same period in 2009.

Ford Fiesta continues to top the UK car sales chart for the year to the end of May with the Ford Focus in second position. In May, Ford Focus was the UK best seller, retaking the top

spot from the Ford Fiesta for the first time since August 2009.

Both Ford Fiesta Van and Ford Transit increased sales volume and share in May, compared with 2009. Ford Fiesta Van sales, at 296, increased by 100 compared with the same month in 2009 and its share increased from 10.4 to 15.8 per cent. Ford Transit sales at 3,446 for the month were up 1,038 compared with May 2009 and its share went up from 18.9 to 22.9 per cent.

These sales and share improvements are also reflected in the sales and share figures

for the two vehicles for the year to the end of May with Fiesta van share up from 7.7 to 9.2 per cent, for example, and Ford Transit share up from 23.0 to 23.6 per cent, when comparing the same period in 2009.

Nigel Sharp, Ford of Britain managing director, said: "Ford's ongoing introduction of new models and advanced technology is attracting both our car and commercial vehicle customers. Together with our dealers we are working hard to demonstrate the outstanding value provided by the Ford range in an intensely competitive UK market."



▲ Ford Focus, UK best seller in May 2010

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annually for the 12,000 miles a year motorist.

Andy Barratt, Ford customer service director, said: "Ford is first in offering an Econo Check to so many owners, almost regardless of their vehicles' age. The Blue Oval brand already includes a range of product choices for customers prioritising the environment, such as EConetic diesel models and EcoBoost petrol-engined vehicles. Now our dealers' service departments are helping to cut rising fuel and other running costs on Ford models by smarter driving."

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Weymouth Rugby club

NEW AWARD IN MEMORY OF PAUL TOBUTT

Ross is top
clubman

WEYMOUTH Rugby Club recently celebrated the season with their prize giving that included a new annual award in memory of Paul "Tubs" Tobutt who passed away recently.

The club held a minutes clapping before the award, The Paul "Tubs" Tobutt Memorial Cup, which was awarded posthumously to Paul for last season. It was collected on behalf of his partner Maria by close friend and ex 2nd XV captain John Beare.

Other winners were: Knee Cap Trophy- Will Hughes, Highest Points- Tim Peplow, Most Try's - Will Quick, Best Tackler- Will Hughes, Most Improved player- Joe Gibson

Clubman of the year (Jim Rigby Trophy) - Barry Ross MacKenzie, 1st Team Player of the year- Mark Sample, 2nd Team Player of the year- Matt Driver, Sportsman of the year- Will Hughes.

CAPTIONS: (Left) Captain Mark Sample receives the 1st XV player of the year award from player coach Craig Barter. (right, top) Barry Ross MacKenzie receives the Clubman / Jim Rigby Trophy from chairman Glyn Arnold. (right, bottom) John Beare receives the Paul "Tubs" Tobutt Memorial Cup from club president Des Quick.

Photos by CHRIS DAVIS



Hitmen take out Wildcats

Weymouth Wildcats 36
Buxton Hitmen 56

National League Speedway

POWER packed Buxton Hitmen romped away against a depleted Weymouth Weyline Wildcats side last night inflicting the second worst defeat 36-56 in the first National League match of the season.

Young Australian reserves netted 24 points between them, with No 1 Craig Cook bagging thirteen for the Hitmen. James Cockle with 16 points shone for the Wildcats but he lacked solid support.

With a first heat 5-1 for the Wildcats the meeting looked positive with Cook pegged back in third with Cockle taking the honours followed by Dudley's Jake Anderson stepping in for injured Byron Bekker. Hittmens hot Aussie reserves returned the favour in heat two, but Gary Cottham and Tom Brown swung the meeting back in favour of the Cats eventually after heat three was re-run three times following Dave Robinson's decision of unsatisfactory starts.

Wildcats succumbed to the pressure in the following heats with Adam Allott powering around the Wessex FM Raceway in heat four and Cook bouncing back way out

front in heat five backed up by Robert Branford. Allott again in heat six backed up team partner Nick Morris giving the Hitmen a six point advantage.

The onslaught was halted with a determined Cockle holding back Charles Wright and Lewis Dallaway in heat seven following a re-run, but not for long. The young Aussie hotshots Morris and Branford combined in heat eight for a 5-1, and in heat nine Branford joined Allott for a 4-2.

Then in heat 10 Morris stormed away with Wright for a 5-1 thwarting a Wildcats tactical ride with guest Anderson tumbling into the third turn fence on the first lap to give a 16 point lead to the Hitmen.

Wildcats team manager Jem Dicken rolled his final throw of the dice with Cockle as a second tactical ride in heat 11 but there was nothing he could do about the power of Cook, points shared 4-4. Heat 12 was shared; Dallaway taking the win in the re-run heat after a second turn fall with Morris, whilst Cook lowered Cockles colours in heat 13 going inside after Cockle lifted along the back straight.

Branford wasn't finished. In heat 14 he took his seventh ride and an-

other win for the Hitmen with Wright in second, whilst Cook fittingly took the final heat with Cockle and Brown packing in for the Wildcats suffering their second heaviest home defeat after Allott took the 15 meter penalty for breaking the tapes.

On a plus note for the Wildcats Terry Day was in attendance watching his team mates after last week's horrifying crash and said: "I feel a bit drunk really all the time, it feels like I have had four or five pints really, but I'm getting there slowly, getting fit again. I just want to get back out there. I was gutted today, I had butterflies this morning when I woke up because I thought I'll ride today but realised there was no way I'd go anywhere. I'm looking forward to coming back again."

A collection was held with £250 being raised for the injured Wildcat towards the cost of repairs and replacement crash helmet which were wrecked in the crash. Day continued: "I can't drive at the moment but hope to have a skid next week and see how it goes; I'll know more then, all I've done is eat, sleep and drink."

Weymouth Weyline Wildcats

1. Jake Anderson (G) 2*, 1, 0^, 1*, = 4+2
2. Rider Replacement for Terry Day
3. Tom Brown 2*, 1, 2, 2, 1*, = 8+2
4. Gary Cottham 3, 0, 0, 0, = 3
5. James Cockle 3, 2, 3, 4^, 2, 2, = 16
6. Richard Andrews 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, = 3
7. Danny Stoneman 0, 0, 0, 1, 1*, = 2+1
8. Luke Wiltshire dnr

Team manager: Jem Dicken

Buxton Hitmen

1. Craig Cook 1, 3, 3, 3, 3, = 13
2. Replacement for Jason Garrity
3. Lewis Dallaway 0, 0, 1*, 3, = 4+1
4. Charles Wright 1, 2, 2*, 2*, = 7+2
5. Adam Allott 3, 2*, 3, 0, 0, = 8+1
6. Nick Morris 2*, 3, 3, 3, fx, = 11+1
7. Robert Branford 3, 1, 2*, 2*, 1, 1, 3, = 13+2

Team manager: Jack Lee

Referee: Dave Robinson

♦ Wildcats require help on race days, all applicants must be 18 years of age or over, full training will be given for the following vacancies; 2 rakers, 2 kickboard cleaners, 1 Pusher and 3 stewards. For further information please contact Martyn Hepworth via email martyn_hepworth@talktalk.net or call 01305 774249 before 9.00pm.

CONSISTENT GAPE EARNS TOP AWARD

JACKIE Gape's consistent form throughout the season has been rewarded with the First Team Player of the Year award from Beaminster Ladies Hockey Club.

The club who finished a very creditable fourth in Channel Division One, celebrated their achievement recently with a day out ringo-ing (giant rubber rings which you sit in and bomb down the ski slope - very scary!) and rollerblading at the Warmwell Ski Centre.

They completed their day with a meal in Dorchester where the annual presentations were made.

The ladies are to be congratulated for

their endeavour and fortitude in what has been another tough season.

With a number of the more experienced players not available for a number of reasons, several younger players were drafted in and acquitted themselves well, and it can only auger well for the future that they have had the opportunity to play in senior hockey.

Unfortunately some of this year's side will not be available next season due to university and travelling commitments, but the club is currently recruiting new players and it is hoped that they will be able to continue to show the same enthusiasm as was evident this campaign.



WINNERS | Beaminster Ladies Hockey Club award winners (from left): Jackie Gape (1st XI Player of the Year); Carol Pearson (2nd XI Player of the Year); Lucy Timbrell (Most Improved Player); Emma Davies (Veteran Player of the Year); Danielle Donovan (Young Player of the Year); Ali White (Clubman of the Year).

BEES SPONSORSHIP - THE HUNT IS ON

BRIDPORT Football Club have contacted local businesses and organisations to invite them to enter next season's sponsorship draw.

The draw is one of the club's main sources at fundraising and they are hoping for even more potential sponsors in light of their successful campaign last season where they finished a very creditable tenth position in the Toolstation Western League First Division as well as reaching the semi-final of the Les Phillips Cup, only to be beaten on penalty kicks.

The entry fee is £100 + VAT and the

winners will win the right as main team sponsors to have their name printed on the first team shirts, as well as receiving two season tickets for all home games.

The closing date for entries is June 26th, and the draw will be made at 7pm on Friday July 2nd at the Beehive.

The club welcomes any new potential sponsors who can enter the draw by contacting chairman Adrian Scadding on 07785 752522.

The club's Presentation Night takes place at the Beehive on Friday June 18th (7.45pm).

Lyme Regis Skittles League

LADIES DIVISION	P	W	D	L	Pts	BL
Oh So Gorgeous.....	23	18	1	4	37	26
Bids & Babes.....	23	17	2	4	36	26
Smashers.....	23	15	1	7	31	21
Wootton Wobblers.....	23	14	0	9	28	22
La Creme.....	23	13	1	9	27	18
Rock A Byes.....	23	13	0	10	26	28
Just Us.....	23	10	2	11	22	34
Rollercoasters.....	24	10	0	14	20	29
Hot Gossips.....	23	9	0	14	18	21
Generations.....	23	8	1	14	17	24
Abandon Ship.....	23	7	0	16	14	18
Deano's Divas.....	22	6	0	16	12	15
Castaways.....	22	6	0	16	12	12

Remaining fixtures;

Last night (Tuesday): Ladies Pairs final at the George.

Tonight (Wednesday): Mens Palmers semi-finals - Marksmen v Roadrunners (Wootton), Hot Rocks v Skippy's Six (Ship).

Friday, June 11th: Mens Bob Sweetland Cup Final (Pilot Boat) No Hoppers v Skippy's Six.

Division Two League runners-up play-off - Wootton Tornados v Hot Rocks (Ship).

Monday, June 14th: Ladies Doug Clarke Cup Final - Wootton Wobblers v Bids & Babes (Ship).

Ladies Bob Sweetland Cup Final - Abandon Ship v Oh So Gorgeous (Rockpoint).

Tuesday, June 15th: Division Two Curtis Nomination Cup Final - Sherberts v Wootton Tornados (George).

Division Two Cawston Cup Final - Trappers v Hot Rocks (Pilot Boat).

Wednesday, June 16th: Palmers Cup Final - Marksmen or Roadrunners v Hot Rocks or Skippy's Six (Ship Inn).

Thursday, June 17th: Ladies George Nomination Cup Final - Wootton Wobblers v Oh So Gorgeous (George).

Monday, June 21st: Ladies Captains Cup (at Ship).

Wednesday, June 23rd: Mens Captains Cup (at Pilot Boat).

Friday, June 25th: Presentation evening, Woodmead Halls 8pm to late.

MENS DIVISION ONE	P	W	D	L	Pts	BL
No Hoppers.....	18	13	0	5	26	17
Cowboys.....	18	12	0	6	24	22
Roadrunners.....	18	10	0	8	20	24
Rousdon rebels.....	18	10	0	8	20	15
Skippy's Six.....	18	9	0	9	18	15
Anthill Mob.....	18	9	0	9	18	12
Flyers.....	18	8	0	10	16	22
Marksmen.....	18	7	0	11	14	17
Alleytwits.....	18	6	0	12	12	19
Clueless.....	18	6	0	12	12	15

MENS DIVISION TWO	P	W	D	L	Pts	BL
Wreckers.....	20	16	0	4	32	24
Hot Rocks.....	20	14	0	6	28	25
Wootton Tornados.....	20	14	0	6	28	21
Miscellaneous.....	20	12	1	7	25	22
Sherberts.....	20	11	1	8	23	24
Trappers.....	20	10	1	9	21	18
Young Guns.....	20	10	0	10	20	23
Presidents Men.....	20	10	0	10	20	18
Shakers.....	20	5	0	15	10	23
British Legion.....	20	4	1	15	9	14
Willy's Wanderers.....	20	2	0	18	4	4

Grinter in good form

WEST BAY SEA ANGLING CLUB

PETER Grinter was in form in the latest series of matches of West Bay Sea Angling Club. He won the first of two Thursday night fishes including the heaviest fish and then picked up the prize for the heaviest fish the following week.

His win came at West Bay where most of the 21 members chose to fish east beach where a few mackerel were caught using spinners. However Grinter took a gamble and chose the promenade towards Eype where he caught a winning haul of 4kg 705g comprising five dogfish, one 970g which won him heaviest fish, and a mackerel.

It was a close run thing with Steven Rathbone (4kg 585g) and Simon Bowditch (4kg 330g) close behind. Oliver Mears won most species with four.

The following week twenty members fished at Charmouth with half the competitors catching weighable fish consisting of dogfish, wrasse and mackerel.

Here Grinter caught a fine ballan wrasse weighing 1kg 461g from the car park area, which was returned to the sea alive after weighing.

However it was Adam Cullingford that took first prize with a haul of 3kg 665g comprising six mackerel and three dogfish. Dave Chidzoy who had two wrasse and a pout among his catch was second with 2kg 535g just 35g ahead of Oliver Mears in third.

Phil Maggs with three won most species.

THANKS FROM MIKE

LONG time Lyme Regis Football Club supporter Mike Croad has offered his thanks to the people who helped him when he collapsed during a semi-final match at the Davey Fort.

The Seaside's fan collapsed halfway through Lyme Reserves' Daisy Hutchings cup semi-final clash with Farway United. Fellow supporters and club officials rallied round to call the ambulance and Mike's family.

Mike said: 'I just want to say a big thank you to everybody, especially Martin Edwards and my family, who helped me and for the way they pitched in to make sure I was well taken care of.

Mike, who suffers from Multiple Sclerosis, has recently left hospital.

West Dorset Warriors Swimming club Swimmers enjoy warmth

EARLIER in the season, swimmers from West Dorset Warriors Swimming Club and Claymore School made training more eventful with a seven day swim

camp in Los Cristianos, Tenerife.

Twenty-four youngsters aged between 9 and 16 year olds took up the challenge, with the philosophy

of the club, 'Train hard, play hard, have fun, win'.

At the end of May they had the opportunity to recollect their experience to friends and family at a presentation evening at

Thomas Hardy School.

The objective of the training camp was to improve their swimming technique, and educate the youngster to be responsible for their own nutrition, fitness and self-discipline whilst having fun.

Each day they had a two hour early morning swimming session in a 50m pool, land training by the pool for overall fitness, and a further two hour swimming session in the early evening.

During their swimming sessions they were able to benefit from some one-to-one coaching.

In between swimming sessions the coaches organised team building events including tower building using only spaghetti and marshmallows, water polo and rounders.

Congratulations go to the

trio of Liv, Gemma and Hattie for their rap and dance version of "Dance with Me" by Dizzy Rascal, which won them the talent show, which by popular demand was performed again at the presentation evening.

By the end of the swim camp each individual was swimming a 800 individual medley. In the first three tournaments since their return, most swimmers have improved on their personal best times, rewarding them for their hard work at the camp.

The swimmers all enjoyed themselves and at the presentation evening were all given a framed photo as a memento.

The youngsters warmly thanked the coaches and adult chaperones who made the trip such a success.

The Warriors are now planning their swim camp for 2011.



WARM WORK | Swimmers, coaches and chaperones pose for a picture in front of the spectacular backdrop of Mount Teide on Tenerife.

LYME REGIS GOLF CLUB

51-POINT STABLEFORD HAUL FOR THOMPSON

Midweek Stableford

On a day when weather and course conditions were conducive to good golf it was hardly surprising that some good scores were recorded in the mid-week stableford event.

However, a stableford score of 51 points certainly set the club house pundits talking!

But, it was no flash in the pan because Gary Thompson, ex-Woodroffe School pupil and now University student, has been threatening to perform at this level for some time. Playing to a net score of 5 Gary recorded no fewer than 10 pars in an outstanding round of golf.

In second place with a highly respectable 39 points was Ricki Sargeant (13) with 39 points who beat David Fidge (5) into third place with an otherwise respectable 37 points.

Lyme Regis Golf Week

NOW in its sixth year, the Lyme Regis golf week teed off to a flying start with excellent weather and matching course conditions.

The first event being a 3 ball mixed Texas Scramble was full to capacity and the scores more than matched the prevailing conditions.

However, it was no surprise that local teams capitalised on their local course knowledge to score well in the event.

In particular the trio of Gary Thompson, fresh from his success in the mid-week stableford, Ed Lawrence and Josh Harrison amassed an outstanding net score of 58.2 to gain first place.

Narrowly beaten into second place with a score of 58.4 were father and son combination of Roger and George Seed ably partnered by Adrian Morgan with a net score of 58.4

In third place with a net score of 62.4 were the formidable trio of Tony Grinter, Mike Hankey and Richard Lawrence with a net 62.4.

Lyme Regis golf Club Ladies

with Ellie Langford

JANE Southcombe was successful at the Regional Medal Finals at Chippenham Golf Club last month when she was runner up with a score of nett 71, just one shot behind the winner.

There are six regions nationally with the top ten from each region qualifying to play in the Grand Final on Saturday 26th June at the Worcestershire Golf Club. The Lyme Regis Ladies wish her luck.

Playing conditions for the June Medal were very good but they were not reflected in the scores with only three players playing to their handicap or below.

Results: Division One: 1 Jane Dixon 74; 2 Elizabeth Linnert 76; 3 Diane Smith 76 onb. Division 2: 1 Sheila Clare 72; 2 Jennifer Pollard 74; 3 Gloria Lott 75. Division 3: 1 Joy Madge 76; 2 Deirdre Potter 76 ocb; Flicity Horton 79 ocb.

After a brilliant run in The Mail on Sunday competition, Lyme Regis lost away to Weymouth 3/2. The Parkin Cup bronze team had a good win at Cheddington Court 0/3 and the Beals Bronze team beat Bridport at home 4.5/3.5

Sophie Keech, playing for SW Schools at Tewsbury, came third in the individual event, only one shot behind the winner, with 154 nett after two rounds.

Her next competition is the South West England Schools Championship on June 21st at Bedfordshire.



WELL PLAYED | The B team from Mrs Ethelston's Primary School, Uplyme, which took part in the recent Kwik Cricket tournament held on the KGB playing field in Uplyme.

Howzat! - The West Dorset Cricket scene

WITH STUART BROOM & HOWARD LARCOMBE

Dorchester 3rds lose for first time in two years

DEVON LEAGUE

Uplyme & Lyme Regis 1st XI 156 all out
lots to Ashburton 157 for 5 by five wickets.

A SECOND half-century of the season from Sam Challis saw Uplyme & Lyme Regis through the 150-mark barrier and earned a second batting point for the visitors at Varwell Field.

After slipping to 28 for 4, opener Challis was unfortunately run-out with the score at 122 for 6 but his innings had formed the backbone of his team's eventual total. Jack-Lamb-Wilson (20) and Steve Batey (35) also made useful contributions in partnerships with Challis of 51 and 43 for the fifth and sixth wickets.

Lamb Wilson made an early breakthrough with the ball cleaning up Tom Durman with the score on 19. But a 58-run second wicket stand between Kevin Nicholls and Chris Pascoe gave the hosts a firm grip on the game despite a flurry of three wickets for seven runs which saw the score slump to 84 for 4.

Lamb-Wilson (2-42) and Challis (2-23) were the most successful of the Uplyme attack with season's best returns whilst extras (50) top scored for the hosts! The result sees Uplyme remain in eighth place in the D Division table.

UPLYME & LR 1st XI

S.Challis run out	66
R.Thom b Durman	8
B.Strong b Durman	1
M.Brimicombe lbw b Durman	0
T.Daniel b Durman	0
J.Lamb-Wilson c Berry b Topping	20
S.Batey c Causey b Harvey	35
H.Brimicombe b Durman	30
D.Wellman not out	2
G.Royle not out	1
J.Hunt dnb	
Extras	23
FoW: 1-26, 2-28, 3-28, 4-28, 5-79, 6-122, 7-122, 8-154	
Total (8 wkts, 46 overs)	156
Bowling: M. West: 11-3-34-0, T.Durman: 13-3-38-5, G.Colewell: 7-2-20-0, A.Harvey: 12-2-39-1, D.Topping: 3-0-16-1.	

ASHBURTON 1st XI

K.Nicholls lbw b Batey	13
T.Durman b Lamb-Wilson	10
C.Pascoe c Batey b Challis	33
A.Berry c H.Brimicombe b Challis	0
A.Harvey lbw b Lamb-Wilson	32
M.Causey not out	13
G.Marshall not out	6
Extras	50
FoW: 1-19, 2-77, 3-82, 4-84, 5-137	
Total (5 wkts, 32 overs)	157
Bowling: S.Batey: 13-2-61-1, J.Lamb-Wilson: 8-1-42-2, S.Challis: 8-2-23-2, H.Brimicombe: 2-0-17-0, T.Daniel: 1-0-3-0.	

Uplyme II 152 all-out lost

to Stoke Gabriel II 154-6 by 5 wickets.

ANOTHER poor batting performance by Uplyme saw them take just five points from second placed Stoke Gabriel writes Paul Crompton.

Only a good all round performance by man of the match Rodney Holmes, back from an 11-year lay off, saw the home team's hopes of a win briefly bolstered. The middle order gained some stability with a partnership between the big hitting Holmes (56) and youngster Oscar Christopher (12) before the tail end fell for just an additional 10 runs.

On a hot, humid day the pick of the bowlers was Holmes who bagged a trio of wickets for 30 runs from his 10 overs, and the unlucky Michael Holding (8-1-48-2) who dropped a fierce return from his opening delivery to J. Tolley who proceeded to score a fine unbeaten 62.

A solid bowling performance by the away team saw all-round Tolley return figures of 3 for 28 and England under 18 year-old player Giselle Ansley 2 for 28.

The result leaves Uplyme bottom of the table with Countess Wear on just 33 points from six games. Holmes rounded off his good day by hitting the II's first home six to win a ball of Dorset cheddar from Club sponsors the Town Mill cheesemonger.

Dorset Funeral Plan League

IT WAS a bad weekend for our local sides with only three of the fourteen winning, one of which was Abbotsbury who, without a win all season, thumped Ferndown Wayfarers 4th's by ten wickets!

Of the beaten teams, Dorchester 3rd's lost for the first time in two exactly two years when they went down to Wareham by sixteen runs.

Premier League

Dorchester 178-2 beat

Wimborne & Colehill 175 all out by 8 wickets

Lee Haynes showed Dorchester what they are missing with a superb 78 to help the county town to an easy eight wicket victory over basement side Wimborne & Colehill.

Haynes has moved to Winchester and is not available on a regular basis, but answered skipper Martyn Richards call who found himself without regulars Pete Moxom, Rob Waite and Xenon Ellis.

"I'm grateful to Lee for helping is out as he is not available on a regular basis. He is coming back to play five games on the trot later in the season, but helped us out with a magnificent knock."

Haynes and Steve Gerety (49) set about chasing the visitors total of 175 all out, and put on 135 for the first wicket to virtually seal victory, before Dave Maslen and Dan Belt, both unbeaten on 17 not out saw Dorchester home in under 29 overs.

"Lee and Steve's stand set us up for the victory. They went at it from the start, and it was a pity they couldn't see it through and notch a century and half-century. Dave and Dan then sensibly saw us home. We have been trying to value our wickets this season by being patient and more restrained when we have the chance, and they did exactly that to record what was an emphatic win."

Earlier Dorchester's bowlers all had success as they dismissed their visitors for 175 in 45 overs. James Dunham (2-16) who was promoted to open the bowling in the absence of Waite, put in a superb display and dismissed the potentially dangerous Wimborne skipper Colin Randall (6) and James Miller (0) to leave them on 23-2.

Andy Hayward (26) and Radcliffe (13) then fell to Andy Mead (2-31) and Cole was bowled by Phil Morley (1-36). The dogged Rob Hatchard (47) and more aggressive Ashley Collison (40) revived Wimborne's hopes with a sixth wicket stand of 56 before Richards removed both in quick succession.

Dave Herbert then got in on the act by claiming 2-42 with both his victims a result of brilliant leg side stumpings by Paul Tweddle before Belt (1-28) finished it off.

"James (Dunham) did an excellent job for us. He has been bowling well normally later in the innings, but I gave him the opportunity of taking the new ball uphill and he stepped up to the plate with two wickets.

"All the others bowled well, picking up wickets, and we were also great in the field."

Haynes and Gerety didn't hang about in reply but both fell victim to catches by Hayward off Greg Cormack when in sight of victory.

"As captain I couldn't have asked for more. To bowl them out for 175 was a nice target to chase with some good bowling and great fielding, and then to have the platform that Lee and Steve gave us to win in 29 overs is pleasing at every level."

Dorchester did not hang about with Haynes and Gerety opening up to accelerate the run-rate, pushing the score to 116 after just 16 overs.

Blandford 249 all out beat

Weymouth 238 all out by 11 runs

EXTRAS totalling 57, including 38 wides, gave Weymouth a mountain to climb in their defeat to Blandford. It looked like the Seaside's would overcome this problem however as they stood at 207-5 in reply, but the loss of four wickets for just eight runs was too much for them.

Having won their last two games, Weymouth would have expected to make it three in a row against Blandford but good knocks from White (45), Kendrick (31) and Cole (35) put the hosts in a strong position at 173-3.

However they lost three wickets for just nine runs and had to rely on Robbens (22) and some poor bowling to help them to a total of 249 all out.

Dan Hutchens (3-48), Will McKay (2-25) and Faraz Ulhaq with an economical 1-25 from 10 overs were the best with the ball for Weymouth.

The Seaside's were soon rocking on 7-2, but a solid 55 from Dean Janaway, together with great contributions from John Armfield (35), who added 98 with Janaway, Andy Bray (22) and McKay (43) put Weymouth in with a chance.

However the loss of four wickets for just eight runs to plunge Weymouth to 221-9 meant the game was over, despite useful knocks of 19 each from Ulhaq and Ben Lawes.

Division One

Shroton 154-3 beat Beaminster 152 all out by 7 wkts

BEAMINSTER'S atrocious season continues with a fifth defeat against Shroton by seven wickets.

On a flat wicket and on a small picturesque ground, Beaminster won the toss and elected to bat on a boiling hot summer's day.

Chris Park had a nightmare on his return to the side after injury as was trapped leg before in the first over.

It appeared as if that was a mere blip and Rich Runyard and Nick David put on 80 for the second wicket, with Runyard in great form playing some lovely attacking shots and hitting some big sixes. However once he was out for an excellent 51; fooled by a cleverly disguised slower ball from Doble that trapped him lbw, a familiar collapse followed.

Simon Jones and Simon Wakely were both out for single figures, and although skipper Ross Baker and David battled hard, David (25) was run out attempting a second run as Shroton's pressure mounted.

Baker then ran himself out as he tried to keep the strike. Despite Paul Martin once again hitting the ball well in a quick fire 25 before being bowled by Young, another mix up between the last pair saw Hacon Edgley (11) become the third Beaminster player to be run out.

The final total of 152 was never going to be enough on the small ground, and in reply Shroton started aggressively as captain Ball hit the ball to all parts of the ground.

Although Edgley had opener McPhillimy caught for a single, he failed to bowl a consistent line and was brutally punished. Martin was hit out of the attack as Ball raced to his half century.

After tea, the temperature rose and Beaminster wilted. Andy Sherring and Jones both took late wickets but by then the damage had been done. Ball (80) and Doble (50 not out) won the match for Shroton as they cruised home by 7 wickets.

Weymouth 2nd 260-7 lost

to Sherborne 263-5 by 5 wickets

A SUPERB century from Keiron Womble, backed up with an excellent half century from Simon Mitchem was not enough to prevent Weymouth going down by five wickets to visiting Sherborne.

The two 18-year-olds gave a masterclass as they steered the

Seaside's to an excellent total of 260-7, but indifferent bowling saw the experienced Sherborne side snatch victory with seven balls remaining. Womble's 125 off of 151 balls included 18 fours whilst Mitchem's 62 included 7 fours.

Womble dominated the scoring as Weymouth reached 81-3 before he was joined by Mitchem in a stand of 149 for the fourth wicket.

Sherborne replied with a partnership of their own, openers Richard Carter (82) and Andy Nulton (105) putting on 173 for the first wicket which formed the platform for Sherborne's success.

After Carter's departure, bowled by James Almond, Nulton continued to torment the eight man bowling attack by adding 62 with M Lock (31) for the second wicket and paving the way for victory.

Division Two

Witchampton 131-3 beat

Dorchester 2nd 128 all out by 7 wickets

DORCHESTER 2nd's suffered an unexpected set back with defeat by seven wickets against Witchampton.

Division Three

Parley 2nd 209-5 beat Bridport 205-7 by 5 wickets

AFTER posting a very respectable score Bridport skipper Sam Good was disappointed that his bowlers failed to give back up his batsmen with some poor bowling.

Good must have fely victory was on the cards as Parley 2nd's found themselves 20-2 in reply, but they found Bridport's wayward bowling to their liking as they dispatched a plethora of short and wide balls to the boundary.

Robbie Green (41) and Oliver Gunn (83) helped themselves in a partnership of 123 before Oldbury secured the points with a succession of boundaries with two overs left.

Earlier Mark Smith(32) and Liam Toohill (23) gave Bridport a good start with an opening partnership of 54 , before a stand of 68 between Good (45) and Ashley Nicholls (40 not out) together with good contributions from others, saw the visitors rack up a good total of 205-7 from their 45 overs.

Poole Town 2nd 139-5 beat

Weymouth 138 all out by 5 wickets

MARTINSTOWN suffered their first defeat of the current campaign at the hands of Poole Town 2nd s and with it sacrificed their position as early season pace setters as a result.

On a sultry afternoon at Poole Park, Martinstown skipper Nick Quintrell elected to bat first.

Lee House (25) and Ed Nichols (40) got them off to a fine start with an opening stand of 57 but apart from Danny Dancer with a defiant 45 not out and Chris Read (6) who helped him add 37 for the ninth wicket no one else showed enough resolve.

Poole's new ball bowlers Musselwhite and Underwood got plenty out of the wicket which at times showed variable bounce in both directions, but it was the introduction of slow bowlers Groome (5-27) and Porter (2-26) that turned the game, leaving the villagers 138 all out.

Despite taking wickets regularly, Martinstown's paltry total proved impossible to defend and with Harrington (38), Roberts (25) and Musselwhite (23), Poole cruised to a 5 wicket victory in 28 overs. Dancer was the pick of the visiting bowlers with 2-29 from 7.1 overs.

Division Four

Beaminster 2nd 205 all out

lost to Hamworthy Rec 2nd 282-6 by 77 runs

HAMWORTHY attacked from the start and took control of the game. But Beaminster responded with some strong bowling and fielding in the middle of the innings which helped slow the run rate but some hard-hitting from Kinsella left Hamworthy with 282 for 6 from their 45 overs.

Stuart Lindsey was the pick of home bowlers taking 2 for 44 from nine overs. Adam Herring also picked up two wickets. Dan Down, Greg Channing, Andrew Frampton and Herring all took good catches in the field.

With a big total to chase, Beaminster set about picking up as many points as possible, the main target being getting past 170 for full batting points.

The eventual total of 205 was their highest of the season. Top scorer was opener Murray Legg with 46 whilst there were good contributions from Dan Hillier (20), Alex Atkinson (31) and both Andrew Frampton and Adam Herring who both made 29.

This may have been another defeat for Beaminster, but there is a lot of positives to be taken, particularly the determination and commitment in the field and the batting is improving.

Division Five

Winton Sports 2nd 126 all out

lost to Weymouth 3rd 128-7 by 3 wickets

WEYMOUTH 3rds continued their pressure at the top of Division Five with a three wicket victory over a strong Winton Sports 2nds. The win sees the Seaside's in fourth place where the top four are separated by less than a point.

Bowling first the experienced Graham Puckett (4-22) and Sami Rathnayke (3-30) restricted the home side 126 all out, before Ben Ladd-Gibbon with 26 and Puckett (17 not out) steered them to victory.

Division Six

Abbotsbury 139-0 beat

Ferndown Wayfarers 4th 138-6 by 10 wickets

ABBOTSBURY finally got their first win of the season – and what a comprehensive win it was.

Bowling first, Grafton Straker and debutant James Pretty kept a very tight rein on the visiting batsmen, conceding only two runs per over in their opening spells. Chas Duerdoth and

Simon Pengelly kept up the good work and only a couple of fielding lapses and some hard hitting from A. McIntyre, who survived a confident appeal for caught behind to reach 51 not out, allowed the Wayfarers to bat out their overs for 138 for the loss of six wickets.

The Abbotsbury openers found few problems after tea with skipper Nick Kneebone (46 not out) and man-of-the-match Simon Pengelly with a belligerent 68 not out knocking off the necessary runs in only half of the allotted overs.

Bridport 2nd 101 all out

lost to Sturminster Marshall 102-3 by 7 wickets

BRIDPORT crashed to a seven wicket defeat with a poor batting display. Winning the toss they lost Will Gape to the third ball of the innings and Duane Gay should have followed next ball when he nicked one to the wicketkeeper who put down the chance.

He survived to make 19 but only Jamie Dollman (21 not out) and Pete Bustin (15) showed any resistance as Gage, Humphrey and Thompson bagged three wickets each to hustle Bridport out for just 101 all out.

Bridport didn't help themselves in reply, bowling 23 wides out of a total of 29 extras with Lockwood (22) and Maltland (27) adding to Bridport's woes.

The one bright spot was the performance of Jack Walklett who was celebrating his 13th birthday. His spin bowling bamboozled his opponents and he picked up 2-24 from his five overs in a very competent display.

Wareham 200-8 beat Dorchester 3rd 184 all out by 16 runs

THE young Dorchester 3rd's incredible unbeaten run came to an end two years to the actual weekend with a close 16 run defeat at the hands of a very experienced Wareham team, relegated from Division Five last year and including four players from the old Wayfarers Division One team.

Wareham won the toss and opening batsmen Bishop and Hector who put on 85 for the first wicket before George Chubb had Bishop (39) well caught at short cover by Lucas. Another 50 run partnership between Hector and Thurman put Wareham well in control with the score on 141-1, with 12 overs still remaining.

With Wareham looking to put the game out of the young Dorchester teams reach, it was captain Pete Tucker who produced a devastating spell of bowling of 5-10 in five overs as Wareham collapsed to 163-6. It was only a hard hitting 35 not out from the Wareham skipper, arriving nearly two hours after the start of the game, which pushed the score to the final 200-9 run mark.

The Dorchester response started badly when the impressive ex Dorset U21 quickie Mark Collier reduced Dorchester to 37-3. They lost Jae Miller with the score on four in the second over, but Nick Beer and Mat King took the score to 30 before the former was adjudged leg before for 17 and then the unfortunate Chubb was bowled when the ball dropped down onto his stumps after hitting his gloves.

Beer and Rob Pering batted patiently hitting the bad ball to the boundary and picking up quick singles before Beer (28) was well caught by Skipworthy at square leg. Pering and Jamie Quinten took the score past the century mark.

With the game moving quickly to an end, Perring and Lloyd Mitchem crashed the ball to the boundary at regular intervals to push Dorchester within 45 runs of victory from the remaining eight overs.

But Wareham turned to Mark Collier who returned to bowl Pering (35) and Mitchem(20) in his last two overs.

Martinstown 2nd 154 all out

lost to Portland RT 2nd 228-6 by 74 runs

PORTLAND RT 2nd's had a comfortable win over Martinstown 2nd's. Batting first Portland doggedly built a sound base in the first half of the innings with D Males top scoring with 63.

Although they bowled well Martinstown could not get an early breakthrough, which allowed Portland to hit out unhindered in the final overs. Despite Gary Jessop returning figures of 3-43 for Martinstown, Portland posted a total of 228-6 in their allotted overs.

In reply Martinstown lost three early wickets from which they never recovered. Tom Bracey (47) and captain Liam Moss (30) made the only partnership of the innings as Martinstown were bowled out well short of their target.

Sunday Division Four

Dewlish 232-9 beat Symene 196 all out by 36 runs

Symene might have got a lot closer and even beaten a Dewlish side which contains a number of quality Saturday League players, had they held their catches. They also took some great catches particularly Marcel Grunschloss who although a culprit of missing a fairly easy effort, held three excellent catches.

Batting first the host rattled up 55 without loss in the first eight overs and looked to be heading for a big score before Colin Wilcox and Sam Challis stemmed the flow. In the next seven overs they only scored 18 runs before Wilcox struck.

Although Quentin Miller was dismissed for a duck, Dewlish continued to score steadily with opener Lee Chutter (71) and Dan Belt (56) their main contributors to reach a score of 232-9 in their allotted overs. Wilcox (3-57), Grunschloss (4-57) and Graham Bartlett (2-56) were the Symene wicket takers.

In reply Wilcox proved to be the backbone of the reply with 14 fours in his excellent innings of 75 where he shared stands of 44 with Phil Hawkins (9) for the second wicket and 54 for the fourth wicket with Grunschloss (26).

Skipper Richard Keech (28 not out) kept the Symene total ticking over but they fell short by 36 when John Ellis was run out in the last over.

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Local rugby in Twickers decor

BOTH Dorchester and Weymouth rugby clubs take pride of place at the headquarters of Rugby Union, Twickenham Stadium, thanks to local freelance photographer Idris Martin.

A Picasso like graphic of the two clubs locked in action two seasons ago is featured alongside shots of England international players in the brand new office complex beneath the south stand.

The picture features Dorchester skipper Dave Gower and Weymouth captain Mark Sample about to clash head to head following a scrum at Monmouth Avenue in a Dorset and Wilts Division One derby game.

The image was captured by local snapper Idris Martin who explains how it comes to be sited at rugby headquarters.

"As Dorset and Wilts Press Officer I shoot a great deal of local rugby and the RFU wanted to feature players from grass roots rugby as well as the professional and international game.

"A representative of a graphic design company working for the RFU phoned me about six months ago asking me to email them some images, so I sent

them about 30, mostly of matches featuring Weymouth and Dorchester rugby clubs in action, and this was one of the three they chose to feature in the new office complex.

"I covered the RFU County

Championship Shield Final between Dorset & Wilts and Leicestershire recently and was invited to view my pictures.

"To say I am pleased with the results is an understatement, they seem almost Picasso like

and life size and all I was expecting was a few framed pictures.

"As I have catapulted them into history, I think that Mark and Dave owe me a pint or two when I next see them!"



MAGNIFICENT | Idris Martin pictured in front of the display at Twickenham featuring his photograph, and (inset, left) The original photo from which the RFU display was taken

Letter from the Dorset & Wilts RFU President

Dorset & Wilts RFU victory at Twickenham

IT has been an historic Bank Holiday weekend for Dorset & Wilts rugby capping a marvellous season. This is no accident. It has happened because of the hard work and dedication over recent seasons of the volunteers in the clubs and in Dorset & Wilts RFU working with the support and advice of the RFU staff.

The team work shown by the players on the pitch and the coaching and support staff beside it mirrors the situation that does and must exist between the clubs, Dorset & Wilts volunteers and the "professional" staff.

Can I express on behalf of the Council and Committees of Dorset & Wilts RFU my thanks to all those clubs that contributed players to the County squad throughout its 5 match, month long season, leading to yesterday's win in the Shield Final over Leicestershire. Can I extend that to the players and staff of the Dorset & Wilts Under 20 team who also played five matches and won four of them, losing only in the national semi final.

Also my thanks to all those clubs who hosted matches or provided for training, who provided neutral venues for Competition Finals, hosted Youth Festivals and Finals and in any way helped this great game of rugby "Play On" throughout last season.

We must build on this success. All clubs in our community have talented players in all age grades, by good organisation and co-operative activity we can repeat this level of performance which in turn feeds back into our clubs the warm glow of a job well done. If you have particularly talented players nominate them to the School of Rugby and get them into the development pathway that leads to representative rugby.

Can I also encourage clubs to send representatives to the Dorset & Wilts Club Conference to be held at Dauntsey's School on Sunday 13th June. Success is based on good planning and sound administration, supporting leadership, talent and teamwork. The players have the talent, I trust all of our clubs will help Dorset & Wilts provide the rest.

Clive Drake
President
Dorset & Wilts RFU

Lyme Regis bowls

WITH PAUL MOFFITT

CLUB LOSES 'STALWART' JOHN PERRY

WEEK commencing Monday May 24th brought mixed fortunes in the various Leagues.

The A and B teams both came away with 10 points apiece against Dorchester and Bridport respectively.

The A team result was particularly pleasing as two of the Lyme rinks were down 0-14 and 0-16 in the early stages of the game. The Championship side managed to lose all the points at Poole Park, a team with a goody smattering of Middleton Cup players within their ranks.

The Ladies recorded a good eight point win over Wimborne. A special mention must go to Chris Barber's rink with a 40-13 crushing of the opposition, a large margin at this level.

In the Percy Baker it was a narrow loss for W1 against Wellworthy and a good win for W2 against Greenhill. W5's game was postponed.

In the Edna Paisley Lyme were narrowly beaten by Sherborne with just three points separating the two sides.

Results:

Dorset Mens' Championship: Lyme 35; Poole Park 63.

B Gillett, C Barber, K Hickman, P Moffitt 7-29; J Eaton, S Pomeroy, B Rattenbury, P Pomeroy 14-16; R Richardson, G Stockley, D Meylan, P Eagles 14-18.

West Dorset Men Div1 Lyme A 72; Dorchester A 50

G Clode, P Stephens, D Pomeroy, J Irwin 28-19; M Thorner, L Street, B Parsons, D Perry 21-13; M Clark, J Beadsley, T Allman, J Wells 23-18.

West Dorset Men Div2. Lyme B 73; Bridport B 51.

B Downes, D Wood, R Winterborne, E Skeemer 32-16; T Payne, R Moody, G Cozens, J Moseley 20-19; R Cridge, H Keep, W Smith, J Belger 21-16.

Percy Baker: Lyme W1 29; Wellworthy 30.

D Pomeroy, D Perry, K Hickman 18-12; J Belger, T Allman, G Stockley 15-14.

Lyme W2 40; Greenhill 18.

R Edwards, P Eagles, P Moffitt 17-10; R Moody, J Irwin, D Meylan 23-8.

Dorset Ladies Div2. Lyme 74; Wimborne 47.

H Dowling, D Courtenay-Smith, N Stephens, Chris Barber 40-13; Clare Barber, M Bartlett, L Broom, S Rowe 14-17; J Wells, S Wood, J Kesterton, A Allman 20-17.

Edna Paisley: Lyme 38; Sherborne 41.

P Cole, K Smith, M Wheeler 19-17; J Kesterton, Y Moody, T Poyner 19-24.

Friendlies: Lyme 120; Queen Camel 66.

F Marsh, T Poyner, J Beadsley, B Parsons 20-12; K Smith, Jill Wells, G Cozens, R Edwards 20-9; J Moffitt, K Gardiner, W Smith, N Stephens 24-13; V Cozens, M Gillett, R Moody, John Wells 28-12; Y Moody, P Stephens, J Parsons, P Moffitt 25-21.

Lyme 62; Bridgwater BCL 122.

P Cole, S Dowling, D Wood, Chas Barber 16-24; Y Moody, B Burton, K Fountaine, B Rattenbury 12-21; J Irwin, J Moseley, N Benson, B Parsons 9-26; A Rattenbury, D Courtenay-Smith, E Rodgers, D Perry 18-20; T Coldrick, S Wood, R Moody, Chris Barber 7-31.

◆ Well done to members of the Club who took part in a Drive on Friday to raise funds for the R.N.L.I. A total of £120 was raised and presented to the Press Officer for the local branch of the Lifesaver.

The last week has been a good one for Lyme A who took nine points from their game against Dorchester B, but the Championship and B teams fared less well with only two and one points against their games against Alexandra Park and Greenhill B respectively.

The Championship side will need to get some good scores under their belts

if they are to remain in the top flight next season.

As I go to print I do not have any results for the Ladies' League games.

A mixed bag again in a busy week for friendlies, with a 3-2 advantage to Lyme. In an interesting game on Sunday, a visiting team 'Timber Trundlers', played exclusively with lignum 'woods', a throw back to when composite bowls were yet to be invented.

Results:

Dorset Mens' Championship: Lyme 48, Alexandra Park 54.

J Eaton, S Pomeroy, B Rattenbury, P Pomeroy 23-14; R Richardson, G Stockley, D Meylan, P Eagles 13-21; B Gillett, G Clode, K Hickman, C Barber 12-19.

West Dorset Men Div 1. Lyme A 79, Dorchester B 47.

M Knight, P Stephens, D Pomeroy, B Parsons 32-10; M Clark, C Vere, S Dowling, T Allman 29-19; M Thorner, L Street, J Beadsley, D Perry 18-18.

West Dorset Men Div 2. Lyme B 49, Greenhill B 74.

T Payne, R Moody, G Cozens, J Moseley 20-34; R Cridge, B Stephens, H Keep, W Smith 20-20; B Downes, D Wood, R Winterborne, E Skeemer 9-20.

Friendlies: Lyme 90 Merriott 97.

V Cozens, A Rattenbury, B Burton, R Edwards 17-19; D Read, K Gardiner, E Rodgers, K Clissold 17-19; J Beavis, S Dowling, J Beadsley, J Parsons 22-17; K Faragher, T Coldrick, J Kesterton, B Parsons 17-22; P Cole David Read, G Cozens, C Clissold 17-19.

Lyme 120 Ottery-St-Mary 93.

B Downes, D Courtenay-Smith, N Benson, R Edwards 17-16; G Broom, K Gardiner, J Kesterton, Chas Barber 24-15; H Dowling, P Stephens, J Irwin, C Clissold 22-14; A Rattenbury, C Bell, D Wood, K Clissold 16-15; D Read, S Dowling, T Poyner, E Skeemer 23-16; T Payne, M Bartlett, K Fountaine, Chris Barber 18-17.

Lyme 109 Umpires Assn. 83.

David Read, D Courtenay-Smith, J Moseley, K Clissold 16-16; P Cole, R Hobbs, R Moody, R Winterborne 26-16; B Downes, A Rattenbury, G Clode, D Wood 21-19; Y Moody, L Street, C Vere, J Beadsley 21-22; T Coldrick, T Payne, M Bartlett, C Clissold 25-10.

Lyme 93 Budleigh Salterton 107;

K Smith, K Gardiner, R Moody, D Meylan 17-31; D Read, R Edwards, G Cozens, E Skeemer 17-20; P Stephens, W Smith, E Rodgers, C Barber 17-30; K Faragher, J York, D Wood, N Stephens 18-12; Y Moody, T Payne, J Beadsley, B Parsons 24-14.

Lyme 159 Timber Trundlers 115.

Y Moody, J Moseley, E Rodgers, C Clissold 15-16; K Smith, B Burton, Jill Wells, R Edwards 31-17; S Wood, S Dowling, J Beadsley, Chas Barber 27-14; K Faragher, D Courtenay-Smith, N Benson, John Wells 27-17; Doris Read, P Stephens, W Smith, J Kesterton 20-14; P Cole, T Poyner, R Moody, K Clissold 17-19; H Dowling, A Rattenbury, D Wood, J Irwin 22-18.

◆ Finally, on a very sad note, we say farewell to John Perry who passed away on 31st May. John had been a stalwart of the Club for many years, skipping one of the 1st team rinks long before I joined the Club in 2000.

I remember when I was first drafted into the first team and assigned to John's rink. John would take me to one side before the game and explain exactly what he expected from me. I tried my best but, if you fell below par he would be quick to remind you of his expectations. Always professional, fiercely competitive but always willing to give credit when it was due.

I learnt a lot from John in those early days, and I know a lot of others who will have done the same. John, you were a character and one of a kind. We will miss you.

Bob Buckler Racing

with Stuart Broom

IN AN otherwise disappointing week, Cullahill raised Bob Buckler's spirits when he romped home at Worcester in the Anne Sims Special Birthday Celebration Beginners' Chase over 2 miles 7 furlongs on Saturday.

The eight-year-old had an easy victory after three of his rivals came to grief over the amended fences, with the odds-on favourite Factorum ridden by A P McCoy one of them.

Buckler explained: "The fences at Worcester were seen as fairly easy relatively, and it used to be that you gave a horse a first outing at Worcester on a fairly flat track with smallish fences, but this year they have built them up.

"When he ran second to Baddam a couple of weeks ago here, the fences were quite big and he coped very well, just beaten by a top quality horse. But there were complaints that they were now too big, and so they have been cut down a bit.

But it means that the top of the fence is now much sturdier, and I would suggest that the three that came to grief were the victim of that fact; brushing through the top unbalanced them."

The three fell early on and with another pulling up, Cullahill under Harry Skelton went on to win by a distance from the only other finisher Orchard King.

"As it was he jumped brilliantly and did everything asked of him. Having hardly any opposition allowed him to jump without being extended and will have been a good confidence booster as he isn't the bravest of horses."

His other four runners were a disappointment.

By Buckler's own admission River Indus's race at Fontwell was one too

many for the season.

"I blame myself. He has been very consistent and reliable as always this season, but it was once too often.

"He's a bit of a thinker, and when he was headed after leading them along as he does, he decided he'd had enough and downed tools, and eventually Daryl (Jacob) pulled him up. He's in the field enjoying his summer holiday now!"

Ethiopia was expected to maybe finish closer than he did when fourth on the same card, but found the Fontwell track maybe a bit too tight for him.

"He jumped brilliantly bar one mistake, but would prefer more of a gallop. However considering all the problems he has had with his spine and back for two years, he has done brilliantly to be where he is, and I think he will improve again next season."

Flag Flier and Mrs Overall were pitted against each other in the 3 mile 3 furlong handicap hurdle at Newton Abbot on Monday.

It is unusual for Buckler's horses to oppose each other but as he explained the choice of races in the summer is limited.

"It was really too far for Mrs Overall, she prefers three miles, and she ran out of steam after making a challenge turning into the straight, whilst Flag Flier, who finished third, was beaten by the course of the race.

"She stays well but does not have a lot of speed, and would have preferred a strong run race where she would have caught horses towards the finish as they slowed. As it was they crawled for 2 ½ miles and then picked up the pace.

"She couldn't go with them but stayed on and they were coming back towards her at the finish."

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DORSET IN GREATEST EVER WIN

Dorset & Wilts 36 Leicestershire 26
DORSET & WILTS achieved the greatest day in the history since it was awarded full county status by the Rugby Football Union back in 1949 when they won the RFU County Championship Shield at Twickenham over the Bank Holiday weekend (writes Idris Martin).

The Combined Counties ran in five tries in a thrilling encounter in their first ever appearance at rugby headquarters to win the equivalent of football's FA Vase.

After a nervous first half they overturned a 16-10 half time deficit to run in two tries early in the second half and re-take the lead, and they were never headed again throughout the contest.

They took an early 10-3 lead with a try from Bournemouth centre Scott Chislett which was converted by Swindon's fly half Adam Westall who then kicked a penalty, but then conceded 13 points without reply after

South Leicester fly half Mark Lord crossed for a try and kicked two penalties and a conversion.

However Dorset & Wilts were quickest out of the blocks immediately following the break and after Bournemouth's Jo Burns and Sean Barwick from Salisbury both crossed for tries the result was never in doubt. Mike Pope, also from Bournemouth, dived over for the Counties fourth try before Chinnor's Liam Gilbert secured victory with a fifth; Westall converting three of them.

Leicestershire relied on their giant pack to bulldoze forwards and the Counties front five led by skipper Frazer Wilford laid their bodies on the line to stem the flow. However after going behind the Midlands outfit's one dimensional approach was limited when chasing the game and the Counties backs exploited the space and cut them to ribbons.

After the game try scoring wing three-quarter Mike Pope said: "I'm

chuffed to bits. It was one of my life-long dreams to play at Twickenham so I'm really happy. Scott (Chislett) put me in with a long pass that reached me and luckily I was able to finish the move off. It was a run from 22 metres to the line and fortunately I got over. It was such a great feeling."

Skipper Frazer Wilford who, as Dorset & Wilts captain, received the trophy from England and British Lions legend Bill Beaumont, said: "We never thought at any stage we would lose out."

"The coaches just said if we carry on playing like we had done in the first 30 minutes we would win and that's what the boys did in the second period. We had to play with the pace and width we always talk about because Leicestershire were very forward orientated and it worked out."

"Winning here feels fantastic. It's a once in a lifetime experience. It probably won't come around for me again. Our success is the result of a lot of



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hard work, not just this year but over the past two years. Our coaches have done a great job to get us to this stage.

"Now I'd like the youngsters in

Dorset & Wilts rugby to look at us and think I can play and win at Twickenham as well.

"We want to be recognised as a strong rugby county and this is the

first step in that direction."

Dorset & Wilts manager Hamish Morton said: "In achievement terms, I think this is now the most important win in our history."

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